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Prices and Prospects.

SMALL SECOND HALF CONTRACT FOR FURNACE COKE CLOSED AT $8

Short Period Sales at $8.50 Indicate the Present Range of Bids

BUT NOT MOOD OF SELLERS

Spot Furnace Holds at Last Week's Level, with Stiffening Tendencies, Auguring a Much Stiffer Market a Few Weeks or a Few Months Hence.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG, April 18.—Last report stated that for the first time in the history of this coke market correspondence a quotation on contract furnace coke was omitted, because there was no basis upon which any quotation could be named. The coke market promptly took pity on the market reporter; and after a long interval a contract for second half furnace coke was made, 3,000 tons over second half at $8.00. There had previously been sales for short periods at $8.50, and this gives a quotable range for the contract furnace coke market again.

The uncertainties surrounding the future of the coke market were referred to in last report, questions of local demand, car supplies, labor supply and various other matters. Operators are fully impressed with the uncertainties of the situation, and as noted for several weeks have been disposed to quote. A curious, even amusing, feature of the situation is that some operators mention certain prices as apparently fair for contract coke, either furnace or foundry, and when they are offered business at the prices they promptly decline. This, of course, is quite contrary to precedent, as the normal thing is for the operators to talk one price and then accept a shade less when real business develops.

The coke brokers are rather active at this time in the matter of second half contracts, making various bids for second half on both furnace and foundry, but operators refuse to quote definitely at the prices mentioned.

Spot coke is at about the same level as a week ago, while in the past couple days it has been a shade firmer than at the close of last week. Some observers regard the market as having definitely stiffened, and point to this as a peculiar circumstance, as normally April is one of the weak months for coke. It is argued that if the market shows any stiffening signs at this time it is an augury of a much stiffer market a few weeks or months hence. There have been fairly heavy transactions in spot furnace coke the past few days at $8.00, with more limited sales at $8.25 and $8.50. Coke of inferior grade has gone at less than $8.00. Foundry coke on contract has sold at $9.00 and at $9.25 and it is believed that the amount still available at such prices is limited, even though a week ago it appears that there was $8.50 coke. A few operators have set $10 as a price, but would accept $9.50 on one or two contracts, to try out the ground. The market is now quotable as follows:

Spot furnace	$8.00@$8.50
Contract furnace	$8.00@$8.50
Spot foundry	$10.00@$10.50
Contract foundry	$9.00@$9.50

The minimum on all grades of local pig iron has advanced $2 a ton in the week. Basic has sold to the extent of a large tonnage at $40, Valley, while Bessemer in several small lots has bought $42, for various deliveries. Foundry and malleable are bringing $41 for second half, a price formerly obtainable only on prompt. There is now practically no distinction as to prompt and second half deliveries, but the large demand for prompt would doubtedly produce premium prices again. The market is quotable at the following prices as minimum, with many sellers talking higher figures as certain in the very near future:

Bessemer	$42.00
Basic	$40.00
No. 2 foundry	$40.00
Malleable	$40.00

These prices are f. o. b. Valley furnaces, prices delivered Pittsburg being higher by the 95 cents freight.

INCREASE AGREED UPON

Recommendation of 20 Per Cent Raise for Miners Accepted.

After a joint conference of representatives of bituminous coal miners and operators at New York late Wednesday it was announced that the recommendation of a sub-committee, granting an increase in wages averaging 20 per cent to 225,000 miners in Ohio, Western Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Indiana, had been formally adopted.

The increase in wages is effective on April 16 and will continue in force until March 31, next.

France Needs Coal.

French banker recently came to America reports his country in great need of coal which can be supplied in adequate quantity only through better shipping facilities.

Begin Storing Coal.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway company is preparing for a possible coal shortage by laying up a good supply of this fuel along its part of way.

COKE FREIGHT RATES.

The freight rates on coke from the Connellsville district, which includes what is officially known as the Connellsville region (sometimes called the Basin district) and the Lower Connellsville region (often called the Klondike and sometimes the Masontown district) to principal points of shipment, are as follows, per net ton of 2,000 pounds:

Destination.	Rate
Baltimore	$1.80
Buffalo	1.85
Canton	1.40
Chicago	2.50
Cleveland	1.60
Columbus	1.65
Detroit	2.10
E. St. Louis	2.80
Erie	1.65
Harrisburg	1.70
Joliet	2.50
Louisville	2.50
Milwaukee	2.85
New York	2.35
Philadelphia	2.05
Pittsburg	.75
Port Henry, N. Y.	2.50
Pottstown	1.95
Reading	1.85
Richmond, Va.	2.94
South Bethlehem	2.00
Swedeland, Pa.	2.00
Toledo, O.	1.85
Wheeling	1.20
Valley Points	1.20

For Export:

From Connellsville District:	
Philadelphia (F. O. B. vessels)	1.80
Baltimore (F. O. B. vessels)	1.80
From Latrobe District:	
Philadelphia (F. O. B. vessels)	1.80
Baltimore (F. O. B. vessels)	1.80

STEEL ORDERS ARE HEAVIER

Than Before the United States Entered Into War; Difficult to Distinguish Between War and Peace Orders.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron trade tomorrow as follows:

The steel industry is booking business at a materially greater rate than before the United States entered the war. It is difficult now to distinguish between bookings for war purposes and bookings for peace purposes. The total steel tonnage entered as directly intended for war, chiefly in connection with the 1917 naval program, is really a small tonnage, certainly not enough to produce the present congestion in order books. There is probably considerable buying due to the war, though not closely identified as connected with the war. There might be room for suspicion that buyers have had a fresh scare with respect to deliveries, and are buying against an anticipated shortage, but they all insist they have orders for their products justifying the orders they wish to place with mills.

The sheet market is up $10 a ton. The leading interest is practically sold out at the prices it announced a fortnight ago and no independent mills are willing to meet those quotations. Buyers who have no regular mill connection are finding difficulty in securing any quotations at all. Current production of sheets is considerably below sheet rolling capacity, on account of insufficient supplies of sheet bars. Tin plate production is at record rate at all plants where there is no restriction on account of the attitude of the men.

The ferromanganese situation causes considerable concern. Large consumers are well stocked, but deliveries in future, particularly of imported, are uncertain. Small consumers, who buy from hand to mouth, have absorbed the market supply and spot has sold at above $400.

Unfinished steel continues to harden, $80 being unusually favorable price to the buyer of billets, though there are occasional odd lots at less, and $60 seems to be the price of ingots when there are any.

Pig iron continues its flight, advances occurring overnight in one district or another. The leading Virginia interest has withdrawn from the market for the second half of 1918, while in some other districts there is still iron available for the second half of this year.

STRIKE SETTLED

Chippers Get $3 a Day With No String Attached.

The chippers at the Scottdale mill of the United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Company have returned to work, their demands for a larger increase in pay than was announced by the company being granted.

The men went out on a strike on Monday. Notices had been posted that a wage increase of 25 cents would be given May 1, but they demanded a 50 cent raise.

After deliberation the company announced the 50 cent raise, but inserted a clause that unless the employes worked six full days in a week, the second 25 cent raise would not affect them. Then the men refused to go to work until this clause was removed. At the demands were finally granted.

To Build Indian Furnace.

Contract has been awarded Youngstown parties to build a 50-ton charcoal blast furnace at Mysore, India.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION.	WEEK ENDING APRIL 14, 1917.				WEEK ENDING APRIL 7, 1917.			
DISTRICT	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
Connellsville	20,538	18,802	1,736	211,024	20,538	18,780	1,758	209,775
Lower Connellsville	17,645	16,163	1,482	162,190	17,645	16,223	1,422	169,264
Totals	38,183	34,965	3,218	373,214	38,183	35,003	3,180	379,039
FURNACE OVENS.								
Connellsville	16,984	15,789	1,195	176,750	16,984	15,797	1,187	175,840
Lower Connellsville	5,826	5,457	369	55,720	5,826	5,457	369	56,450
Totals	22,810	21,246	1,564	232,470	22,810	21,254	1,556	232,290
MERCHANT OVENS.								
Connellsville	3,554	3,013	541	34,274	3,554	2,983	571	33,935
Lower Connellsville	11,819	10,706	1,113	106,470	11,819	10,766	1,053	112,814
Totals	15,373	13,719	1,654	140,744	15,373	13,749	1,624	146,749

SHIPMENTS.	WEEK ENDING APRIL 14, 1917.		WEEK ENDING APRIL 7, 1917.	
To Pittsburg	3,597 Cars.	126,340 Tons.	4,123 Cars.	144,895 Tons.
To Points West of Pittsburg	5,409 Cars.	193,088 Tons.	4,756 Cars.	170,482 Tons.
To Points East of the Region	1,537 Cars.	52,991 Tons.	1,757 Cars.	61,073 Tons.
Totals	10,543 Cars.	372,419 Tons.	10,636 Cars.	376,450 Tons.
			By River.	3,000 Tons.

EARLY ENDING OF WAR INDICATED IN THE STEEL TRADE

Foreign Governments Make Contracts for Commercial Steel.

INSTEAD OF MUNITIONS

English and French Buyers Want All The Steel They Can Get But Seem to Be Looking to Reconstruction Work After the War; Structural in Demand

Developments in the steel market in respect to foreign orders have persuaded exporters during the last few days that England and France are preparing for an early ending of the war, according to a dispatch from New York Saturday. Instead of adding to their purchases of war steel for munition-making purposes the representatives of these nations now are contracting for commercial steel. Further than this, it was learned, that manufacturers holding contracts for export steel had been informed that the metal was not wanted in the forms originally considered, namely billets, rounds and bars, but in the shape of railroad rails, structural shapes, plates and car-building and bridge material.

The switching of specifications from rounds and bars to semi-finished products in commercial lines is presumably the cause of rumors heard in the Pittsburg district of late that shell steel contracts were being cancelled. As far as could be learned in New York steel circles Saturday, there has been no movement toward cancellations. The French and English apparently want all the steel they can get, but they are looking ahead to reconstruction work, and not towards addition to the supply of destructive materials.

Exporters say the tendency of foreign buyers, especially the French, to turn from shell material to structural steel has been especially noticeable in the case of railroad rails. A large part of the specifications made last year for rails to be sent to France called for lightweight rails.

Here are some instances of the altered conditions in the foreign steel contract field, as related by an exporter:

His firm sold, six months ago, 12,000 tons of light rails to be delivered in France during the summer of 1917. The firm was preparing a few days ago to submit specifications to a certain steel plant for the rails when an order came from the buyers, requesting that the specifications be changed to cover 90-pound rails.

The exporter last week made a tour of several steel works in the middle west and found that in one plant, which had been turning out 3,500 tons of rounds daily for months, orders had been received to slow down operations, as the buyer was planning to take up his steel in structural material. The buyer was said to be one of the entente governments.

From a purely business point of view, the switching of specifications from war steel to structural and bridge material is decidedly profitable to the buyers. The contracts were placed, in some cases, early in 1916, when quotations were low as compared to the current level of prices. Billets were quoted last spring in the neighborhood of $40 a ton, compared with $75 a ton, the current quotation. The French buyers who entered into contracts last spring will, therefore, be able to get supplies for rebuilding tasks in the wake of the advancing armies at prices nearly 50 per cent. lower than the quotations he would have to accept if he came into the market at this time with new orders.

New developments in the export steel trade became apparent in Pittsburg a few days ago when circulars sent to several Pittsburg concerns offered for sale a great quantity of billets, rounds and bars.

NEW INDUSTRY

Sanitary Chemicals to Be Manufactured by Scottdale Company.

SCOTTDALE, April 18.—The Sanitary Chemical & Manufacturing company has been organized in Scottdale to engage in the manufacture of such sanitary products as disinfectant, fumigating candles, floor dressing, lay-dust, a sanitary sweeping compound, perfumed spray and a complete line of other chemical products. It is the only concern of its kind in the coke region. Wilfred A. McKeon, who has been until his recent resignation, sales manager of the West Penn Chemical & Manufacturing company of Manor, Pa., has been secured as general manager. Mr. McKeon has made good with his former employers and it is likely that his success will continue in his new capacity. The Sanitary Chemical & Manufacturing company will engage in the same line of business as the company which Mr. McKeon left in Manor.

Mr. McKeon took charge yesterday. He announced that the new firm would probably take over the old Scottdale brewery for a factory, if satisfactory arrangements can be made. He plans to cater principally to school districts handling modern disinfectants and sanitary chemical products, now essential to all schools.

FIRE BRICK ADVANCED

Users Greatly Handicapped by Delays in Shipment from Makers.

Quotations on several important grades of fire brick have been advanced about $5 a thousand. Clay brick is held at $40 to $45 a thousand for delivery at convenience of maker, says the Pittsburg correspondent of the Daily Iron Trade. Previously, this material was offered at from about $36 to $38 a thousand. Silica brick is being held at $45 to $60 a thousand, or about $5 a ton above the previously prevailing price. Magnesite brick nominally is quoted at $135 a net ton. Scarcely any magnesite material is available for prompt or future delivery.

Managers of blast furnaces and open hearth steel works are handicapped considerably by deferred shipments of refractory material. Deliveries of fire brick are from five to eight months late. It is increasingly difficult to obtain material for linings and patches. No uniform quotations are being offered on either product.

BUYS COAL LAND

Inland Steel Company Acquires Holdings of Indianola Coal Co.

The Inland Steel Company of Chicago has bought 2,000 acres of coal land from the Indianola Coal Company, Pittsburg, to assure a supply of coking coal for its by-product ovens at its Indiana Harbor works. The property is at Dorseyville, in the Allegheny valley, 13 miles northeast of Pittsburg. It is proven coal land. Development work was done about 10 years ago by the Indianola Company.

The new owners will build a spur three miles long, sink a shaft, lay out and build a town and develop the property fully. It is hoped to have shipments started before the close of the present navigation season. None of the coal will be put on the market.

The new charter for the Inland Steel company under the laws of Delaware permits larger powers and enables the coal company to be operated as a subsidiary.

COKE IN SOUTHWEST.

A Heavy Demand and Scant Supply or Hard to Get to Destination.

The Daily Iron Trade reports an excellent demand for coke at St. Louis and from all points in the southwest, with supplies scant or extremely hard to get because of car shortage.

Many orders are coming in from New Mexico, Arizona, Southern California and Old Mexico.

New Office Building.

The Brier Hill Steel company will erect a $250,000 office building at its Brier Hill plant, Youngstown, O.

MAKE A GOOD GAIN DESPITE THE USUAL HOLIDAY EFFECTS

The Men Lacked Industry But Better Car Service Helped Out.

IN NORTH END DISTRICT

Output Increases 3,873 Tons Over Last Week Which Restores Districts to the Rate of Movement Reached in the Closing Weeks of Last Month.

Although the observance of the Easter holidays affected the industry of the coke workers during the first half of the week to a greater or less extent, the general easement in the car situation, resulting in a better supply and service, enabled the Upper Connellsville and Greensburg-Connellsville regions to make a very substantial gain over the week preceding.

In fact, the loss of 3,545 tons during the week of April 7 was transformed into a gain of 3,873 tons last week, which restores to the regions the rate of movement, or about 39,000 tons, which was attained during the closing weeks of March. Last week's total of 39,308 lacked but 356 tons of coming up to that of March 31 which was the record of the year to date.

Shipments from the two districts for the week ending Saturday, April 14, were as follows.

District	East	West	Total
Upper Conn.	11,769	12,589	24,358
Greensburg	4,791	10,225	15,016
Totals	16,194	22,814	39,308

Shipments both East and West gained, the former 1,775 tons and the latter 2,118 tons, or a total gain of 3,873 tons for both regions. The loss of 353 tons from the Upper Connellsville district during the previous week became a gain of 4,542 tons. The Greensburg district did not do so well although its loss of 3,876 tons in the week of April 7 was cut down to 669 tons last week.

The following tabulation shows the output of these districts by weeks in net tons for 1917 to date:

Week Ending.	Upper C'ville.	Greens'bg C'ville.	Total Tons
Jan. 6	12,881	18,441	31,272
Jan. 13	11,686	18,132	29,821
Jan. 20	12,298	15,856	28,154
Jan. 27	13,087	17,979	31,066
Feb. 3	12,071	13,031	25,102
Feb. 10	11,206	11,828	23,034
Feb. 17	13,468	11,423	24,891
Feb. 24	14,746	12,890	27,636
Mar. 3	13,720	19,186	32,906
Mar. 10	15,374	16,220	31,594
Mar. 17	18,718	14,604	33,322
Mar. 24	23,262	14,981	38,243
Mar. 31	20,100	19,564	39,664
Apl. 7	19,747	15,688	35,435
Apl. 14	24,289	15,019	39,308

The output of the two districts was consigned by weeks during 1917 to date as follows:

Week.	East.	West.	Total
Jan. 6	13,755	17,517	31,272
Jan. 13	18,176	11,645	29,821
Jan. 20	14,619	13,541	28,154
Jan. 27	20,384	10,682	31,066
Feb. 3	13,205	11,897	25,102
Feb. 10	10,734	12,300	23,034
Feb. 17	12,972	11,919	24,891
Feb. 24	13,406	14,230	27,636
Mar. 3	20,990	11,916	32,906
Mar. 10	13,726	17,868	31,594
Mar. 17	16,506	16,816	33,322
Mar. 24	17,201	21,042	38,243
Mar. 31	19,297	20,367	39,664
Apl. 7	14,739	20,696	35,435
Apl. 14	16,494	22,814	39,308

Sand Producers Protest Rates.

The Portage Silica company and the Geauga Silica Sand company, whose principal market is the Pittsburg district, have protested to the Interstate Commerce Commission against the action of the Erie railroad of increasing freight rates on their products thereto, 13.5 and 41.8 per cent, respectively.

Old Plate Mill to Resume.

A plate mill of the former Youngstown Iron & Steel company, Youngstown, O., idle for more than three years, is to be put in operation in about a month by the Sharon Steel Hoop company, Sharon, Pa., which recently acquired control of the Youngstown company and its plants.

Production and Output.

A REVERSAL OF CONDITIONS IN COKE REGION THIS WEEK

A Good Supply of Cars and a Shortage of Men, Both Unusual.

"BIG EASTER" OBSERVANCE

May Repeat the Annual Slump in Production and Shipments, Although Pressure is Being Applied to Avoid Both; Slight Falling Off Last Week.

COKE TRADE SUMMARY.

There has been a singular reversal of conditions in the Connellsville region this week. On two successive days there has been a 100% car supply, with 80% on others, but meantime there has been only about a 50% supply of men at many of the plants. This latter condition arises from the annual celebration of "Big Easter" by the foreign element among the workers which is invariably followed by several days of idleness, a custom which plant managers have not yet found a way of breaking. Considerable effort is being made to speed up operation during the remaining days of the week in hope that a fair average may be made. If this is successful, of which there is doubt all previous records of the "week after" will be broken.

The English-speaking workers took Monday of last week as their holiday and production was affected slightly in consequence. The car supply being but 50 to 65%, and the movement of coke by river being held up by damage to the dam at Lock No. 4 shipments fell off 7,000 tons to a total of 372,400 tons.

The closing of a small contract for second half furnace coke at $8 and some short period sales at $8.50 mark the range of bids rather than the price producers are willing to take, the refusal to quote being general.

Spot coke holds to last weeks' level, with stiffening tendencies which some in the trade take as an augury of a much stiffer market within the next few weeks or months.

The celebration of the Easter holiday by the English-speaking workers of the Connellsville coke region had an appreciable effect upon the production last week, the number of men at work on Monday and Tuesday being considerably under the requirements for maximum production. This fact was not alone responsible for a decrease of 7,000 tons in the shipments for the week. The car supply averaged only 50 to 65% and no shipments of coke were made by river. The rail shipments alone sustained a loss of about 4,000 tons, dropping to 372,400 tons, while the interference to river navigation resulting from the recent accident to the dam at Lock No. 4 kept approximately 3,000 tons from reaching consumers by that route.

There has been a singular reversal of conditions in the region this week as compared with preceding weeks. One of the railroads serving the region made 100% car distribution on two successive days for the first time thus far during the present year. On other days and on other roads the car supply has ranged close to 80%. Meantime the number of men reporting for work in the mines and at the ovens at many plants was cut down to about 50%. Sunday was the "Big Easter," as the celebration of that festival by many of the foreign born workers is designated. This event is invariably followed by several days' idleness by this element among the workers of the region and no amount of entreaty, urging or even threat of dismissal, will prevail upon them to forego a custom which has been of long standing among them. In consequence there has been a slump in coke production with every recurring celebration of this festival. Whether it will be as severe as that of a year ago, when there was a drop of 43,000 tons in shipments and 38,000 tons in production directly attributable to this cause, remains to be seen. With the better car supply, which has been available this week, some plants have had a day or two when there were not sufficient men to produce and load coke for all the cars that had been placed. Plant managers are striving to make up for the loss by applying well directed pressure during the latter days of the week. They may be able to close the week with a fair average output and again they may not. If they do, it will be making a better record in restoring normal conditions of operation following the "Big Easter" than has been heretofore done in the region.

The estimated production of coke for the week ending Saturday, April 14, was 373,214 tons, of which the furnace ovens made 232,470 tons, a gain of 180, and the merchant ovens 140,744 tons, or a loss of 6,005 tons, making the net loss for the week 5,825 tons. By districts the Connellsville region produced 211,024 tons, a gain of 1,249 tons, and the Lower Connellsville 162,190 tons, or a loss of 7,074 tons.

Shipments for the week ending Saturday, April 14, aggregated 10,543 cars carrying 372,419 tons, consigned as follows:

Destinations.	Cars.	Tons.
Pittsburg District	3,597	126,340
West of Pittsburg	5,409	193,088
East of Connellsville	1,537	52,991

No shipments were made by river, the water in No. 1 pool, due to the break in the dam, not being at a navigable stage. The lifting of some embargoes permitted heavier shipments to Western points, the increase being 10,606 tons. To Pittsburg the decrease was 18,555 tons and to Eastern points, 8,082 tons, making the net loss for the week 7,031 tons.

Coal shipments from the coke making plants, and from mines in the region shipping raw coal only, were 245,000 tons, equivalent to 163,000 tons of coke. Including outgoing coke the aggregate tonnage of the week, on a coke basis, was 535,600 tons which is from 7,000 to 15,000 tons above the recent weekly totals. Eastern railroads, including the New York, New Haven & Hartford, Philadelphia & Reading and the Central of New Jersey, continue to draw liberally upon the Connellsville region for engine fuel. Aside from the cars assigned for this traffic, which are not charged against the mine percentages on the same basis as cars for commercial coal, the coal car supply has been better than for some weeks past. Last week the average was 50 to 65%. This week it promises to be slightly better.

SUIT FILED FOR $50,000 DAMAGES

Howard E. Henry and Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, Defendants in Buffalo Man's Action.

UNIONTOWN, April 12.—John M. Porter of Buffalo, New York, today entered suit for $50,000 against Howard E. Henry and Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran of Dawson, alleging that the defendants were instrumental in preventing a sale of the Florence mines near Dawson, to Martin J. Ryan early in 1916.

In his bill of particulars, filed today, the plaintiff sets forth that he was given an option on the Florence mine on December 22, 1915, for $110,000, the property including 15 tracts of coal and two tracts of surface. The option was not to expire until February 15, 1916. An inventory of the property, Porter alleges, was furnished by the defendants setting forth that the coal, mining machinery and other equipment was worth $137,580. He secured a buyer for the property in Martin J. Ryan, who paid $1,000 down and agreed to pay $137,580 if the property was as represented. When Ryan came to look at the property, Porter alleges, he found the equipment not as set forth, that the coal was not good and did not come up to Baltimore & Ohio railroad specifications.

Porter claims that Mr Henry and Mrs. Cochran discouraged the sale with the intention of preventing him from getting his profit on the transaction.

BY-PRODUCT PLANT IN

Brier Hill Steel Company Starts 84 Ovens at Youngstown.

The new 84-oven by-product coke plant of the Brier Hill Steel company at Youngstown, O., has been placed in operation, the first coke having been drawn last Friday.

When working on a 16-hour coking basis it is expected the plant will produce about 850 tons every 24 hours, ample for the operation of the company's two stacks. A benzol plant of capacity sufficient to care for the by-product output will be in operation about May 1.

Coal for this plant will come from the Brier Hill Coke company's plant in the Lower Connellsville region.

DONATES GARDEN PLOTS.

Keystone Coal & Coke Co. to Give the Public Use of Ground.

The Keystone Coal & Coke company has plotted 10 lots of ground, each 40 by 120 feet, on Electric Park hill near Greensburg which will be donated to the public for garden purposes. Already a number of the residents of South Greensburg have applied for lots and are making preparations to plant them.

The lots laid out cover but a small part of the company's surface at this point and it is understood all the ground required by prospective gardeners will be given without charge.

Weekly Coke Production.

The weekly record of production and output of the Connellsville and Lower Connellsville regions for 1917 to date is shown in net tons in the following tabulation

Week	Fur.	Mer.	Total.	Ship
Jan. 6	220,348	138,228	358,576	354,575
Jan. 13	216,140	142,052	358,192	350,709
Jan. 20	216,600	130,860	347,460	346,8[illegible]
Jan. 27	220,614	131,789	352,403	345,317
Feb. 3	185,376	119,652	305,028	301,[illegible]
Feb. 10	182,579	120,554	302,933	291,165
Feb. 17	182,2[illegible]	124,791	306,[illegible]	289,774
Feb. 24	211,151	142,310	353,461	353,057
Mar. 3	203,716	142,717	346,433	342,7[illegible]
Mar. 10	217,602	131,600	349,201	351,179
Mar. 17	222,740	135,339	358,079	359,054
Mar. 24	230,730	137,934	368,664	372,711
Mar. 31	231,920	137,570	369,790	368,556
Apl. 7	232,290	146,749	379,039	376,450
Apl. 14	232,470	140,744	373,214	372,419

Stripping Coal.

The West Penn Coke company at Adell, Westmoreland county, is stripping coal and mining it with a steam shovel under the superintendence of Arthur G. Page of Mount Pleasant. Over 250 tons of coal are being loaded a day.

THE EXAMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES FOR MINE CERTIFICATES

Concluded With Class for Firebosses, Except Oral Gas Tests.

BIG EARNINGS OF MINERS

Prevented Many From Entering the Examinations for Bosses' Certificates; Completed List of Questions; Results Will be Known in 30 Days.

The examination of candidates for firebosses' certificates was held in the parochial school hall Connellsville, on Friday, 29 young men participating. The examination was conducted by P. W. Welsh, mine inspector of the Ninth inspection district, Joseph Greaves, Sr. and James Conway, who also conducted the examination for mine foremen's certificates.

This year's class was the smallest in years, due, it is supposed, to the comparatively low wages paid fire bosses. They received but $4.20 a day, while a miner can make from $5 to $10 a day.

It will be about four weeks before the grading of the manuscript is concluded. The answers to all questions will be framed by a committee of six to meet in Pittsburg at once. James Conway of the local board is a member of this committee.

Those taking the tests were: Charles E. Burkey, Edward F. Duncan, James V. Caffey and Patrick V. Duncan, Connellsville; John Lessig and Stephen C. Sullivan, Yukon; Henry Seigman, Stauffer; Guy O'Neil and William Depla, Mount Pleasant; John Sweeney, Martin McIntire, Alex Alexander, Philip J. Meegan, John Alexander and John Whalen, Leisenring; Charles J. Rosenecker, William Tyler, Martin Kenney and Frank J. Haas, Dunbar township; William Twigger, Tarr; Thomas Wroe, Reese George, Joseph Lamus, and Hugh Nelis, Dunbar; John Coll, Joseph Ridley, Grover Allen and George Hovancis, Adelaide; James Yauger, Dawson.

The questions were as follows:

Name the gases commonly found in bituminous coal mines; give their symbols, specific gravities and their dangers.

Where are the explosive gases found and how are they detected?

In a mine where locked safety lamps are used, what is the greatest percentage, or what indication of gas on the safety lamp would guide you in determining that a place was unsafe for workmen to enter or remain at work? State fully.

What are the legal duties of a fire boss?

If, upon making an examination of a mine, you discovered explosive gas in the intake air current of one of the splits in which 45 persons are employed, explain your method of procedure to protect the workmen?

What instructions should be given to the workmen in regard to the use and care of safety lamps?

What safety lamps are you familiar with; name five essential features of a safety lamp?

An airway 7x8 feet and 1,000 feet in length is passing 20,000 cubic feet of air and gas per minute, the proportion of the mixture is one of air to one of gas; by reducing the quantity of air one-half, what would be the velocity of the current in feet per minute, and what would be the result if a lighted safety lamp was placed in this mixture?

What are the duties and qualifications of a shot firer, and the duties of a miner as required by law?

How would you render first aid to a person suffering from electric shock; to one suffering from powder burns?

After your examination of a mine, what evidence would there be to show that you had examined all working places; when and where would you make your reports, and what information would the reports give?

In portions of a gaseous mine where dry and dusty conditions exist, what are the legal requirements in regard to blasting?

When, where and by whom should danger boards be placed?

At a date to be announced the candidates will be subjected to an oral examination to determine their practical knowledge of mine gases and the uses of the safety lamp.

The examination of candidates for mine foremen's certificates, first grade, concluded last Thursday with the following questions.

Name the explosive gases met with in bituminous mines, where found and their effects on life and combustion?

What are the legal requirements for the use of electric coal cutting machines in bituminous mines?

What precautions would you enforce to prevent explosions in a dry and dusty mine generating explosive gas?

In a mine in which the workmen use approved electric safety lamps, when and where should locked (flame) safety lamps be used in conjunction with the electric lamps?

A mixture of 4,000 cubic feet of air and gas at the maximum explosive point is passing along an airway; how much fresh air must be added to reduce the mixture to 1 per cent. of gas?

How would you prevent the accumulation of explosive gas on pillar falls as far as practicable and also at the face of entries and rooms?

A section of a mine having been sealed off on account of fire, how would you proceed to open said section, keeping in view the safety of the workmen and security of property, explosive gas being generated in the vicinity of the sealed off section?

What precautions would you take to prevent an explosion in a gaseous and dusty mine, and, if an explosion did occur, how would you proceed with safety to rescue probable survivors?

What are the duties of a shot firer, motorman and trip runner?

What are the general causes of blow-out shots and the dangers incident thereto?

What is a water gauge, how is it used and what knowledge is obtained by its use?

What is an air regulator, and what conditions would guide you in determining whether it should be placed on the intake or return end of the split?

For the second grade certificates the following were the concluding questions:

What precautions would you enforce to prevent accidents from the following causes: (a) Mine cars and locomotives; (b) Falls of roof, coal and slate; (c) Electric wires and electric appliances?

State the system of timbering you would adopt at the working faces of entries, rooms and pillars to insure the greatest degree of safety to the workmen?

If 20,000 cubic feet of air per minute is passing into a mine, how would this quantity divide itself between two splits of the following dimensions: (a) 4 feet high, 12 feet wide and 14,000 feet long; (b) 6 feet high, 8 feet wide and 16,000 feet long?

Keeping in view both safety to life and property, and economy, and the recovery of the largest percentage of the coal seam, what conditions would guide you in the removal of pillars?

In a mine where mining machines are used extensively, what conditions may arise that would prohibit machine mining in some particular places or section of the mine?

OUR COAL OUTPUT

Pennsylvania's Tonnage 255,000,000 Tons in Round Numbers in 1916.

The tonnage for the State in 1916 was, in round numbers, 255,000,000 tons compared with 235,000,000 tons in the year 1910, the increase of only 20,000,000 in seven years being due, as we so well know, to the scarcity of cars and labor during the past year. But this amount of something over a quarter billion was equal to the entire output of the United States for the year 1899 and was twice as great as the entire United States output back about 1887 or 1888, while if we get back to 1876 is is found that the coal tonnage of the state of Pennsylvania itself is now no less than five times as great as the entire output of the United States in the year prior to that celebration.

Obviously the output of coal grows fast, despite all that is said as to the shortcomings of the trade at one time and another, says the Coal Trade Journal. The outlook for the future, judging by the experiences of the past, indicates most remarkable tonnage records and great demand for coal. We have already seen that physical limitations are apt to arise to prevent full amount required being turned out. The introduction of machinery will rectify matters to a certain extent and if the output of the twentieth century doubles only every 20 years instead of every 10 years, as it has in time past, that means most extraordinary figures by the time another generation is in control of business.

NEW OPERATION

To Be Developed Near Washington for Pressed Steel Car Company.

The purchase of 2,100 acres of coal land lying west of Washington and along the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, involving approximately $1,000,0000 in the transaction, is said to be in the interests of the Pressed Steel Car company of Pittsburg. The deal was negotiated by T. W. Friend, president of the company and F. N. Hoffstot of Pittsburg.

It is understood that the initial development of the tract will be by three shafts on the A. S. Eagleson farm. Contracts will shortly be let and the work rushed with the expectation of having the plants ready to produce coal early in the fall.

NEW RIVER MINES

Several Operations Being Developed Between Fredericktown and Charleroi.

A number of new small mining operations are being opened along the Monongahela river between Fredericktown and Charleroi. George W. Dawson of Charleroi, is developing a new operation on about 15 acres of coal a short distance below Crescent mine near California. He will ship by rail and water.

Harry B. Drum of California, is opening a slope between the Dawson mine and California. It will be a medium sized operation. L. M. Crowthers of Fredericktown, is opening a drift mine near Fredericktown to develop ten acres.

LARGE INCREASE

In Output of Pig Iron During Early Days of April.

Better transportation conditions, with more nearly normal coke supply, resulted in a considerable increase in pig iron production in March. Statistics show a total of 3,250,757 gross tons, or 104,863 tons a day, against 2,645,247 tons in the 28 days of February, or 94,473 tons a day.

There was a net gain of 15 in the number of furnaces in blast, and the estimated capacity active April 1st was 107,766 tons a day for 316 furnaces one month previous.

Bethlehem Employes Get Raise.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Apr. 14.—President E. G. Grace of the Bethlehem Steel Company today announced an increase of 10 per cent for all employes of its plants here and at Steelton and Lebanon, Pa., and Sparrows Point, Md. The increase becomes effective May 1.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Apr. 14, 1917.

Total Ovens	In Blast	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
			MERCHANT OVENS.	
182	182	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
120	60	Boyer	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
30	30	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
32		Carolyn	Fearless-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
150	150	Clara	Clara Coke Co.	Greensburg
40		Dexter	Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
40	40	Ellen No. 1	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	50	Ellen No. 2	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Elizabeth	Unity-Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg
200	200	Elm Grove	W J Rainey	New York
125	100	Fort Hill	W J Rainey	New York
10		Franklin	Summit-Conn. Coke Co.	Connellsville
101	101	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
125	116	Grace	W J Rainey	New York
8	8	Helen	Samuel Lohr	Youngwood
146	146	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
42		Jimtown	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
38		Johnson	Johnson Fuel Co.	Uniontown
20		Little Sunshine	King Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	32	Love	C'ville-Mutual Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
30		Magee	Magee Coke Co.	Uniontown
84		Mahoning	Mahoning Coal & Coke Co.	Dunbar
370	370	Mt. Braddock	W J Rainey	New York
310	310	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
32	32	Myers	Brownfield-C'ville Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
50	50	Painter	Newcomer Coke Co.	Uniontown
180	180	Paul	W J Rainey	New York
95	80	Rainey	W J Rainey	New York
560	518	Revere	W J Rainey	New York
98	98	Shirey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Thomas	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
80		Veteran	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
57	48	West Penn	West Penn Coke Co.	Pittsburg
3,554	3,013			
			FURNACE OVENS.	
250	230	Adelaide	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300		Alverton	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
397	362	Baggaley	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Bitner	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
240	240	Brinkerton	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	168	Buckeye	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
260	256	Calumet	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
301	301	Central	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
76	50	Coalbrook	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Collier	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Continental 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	328	Continental 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Continental 3	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	120	Crossland	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
338	328	Davidson	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
230	198	Dorothy	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
272	272	Hecla No. 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
320	372	Hecla No. 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	290	Hecla No. 3	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
356	356	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
250	249	Juniata	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
306	306	Kyle	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
499	451	Leisenring 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
502	451	Leisenring 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
502	422	Leisenring 3	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
204	204	Leith	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
227	227	Lemont No. 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	350	Lemont No. 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
598	500	Mammoth	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	399	Marguerite	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
196	151	Mutual	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
258	259	Oliphant	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	328	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
480	390	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Phillips	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
248	393	Redstone	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120		Rist	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
448	446	Shoaf	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
426	421	Southwest 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
150	121	Southwest 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
204	196	Southwest 3	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
901	811	Standard	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
110	110	Semet-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
80	80	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
464	464	Trotter	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	350	United	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	112	Valley	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
94	94	White	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
352	352	Whitney	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Wynn	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	500	Yorkrun	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
245	245	Youngstown	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
16,964	15,783			

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BLACK DAMP IN MINES

Results of Bureau of Mines Investigations Now Available in a Bulletin Recently Issued.

The Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, in pursuing investigations looking to greater safety in mining, has analyzed samples of the air in many different coal mines in the United States, and has studied the analyses. The results of one phase of this study are presented in Bulletin 105, "Black Damp in Mines," by G. A. Burrell, I. W. Robertson, and G. G. Oberfell. This study shows how atmospheric air, after entering a coal mine, loses oxygen and gains carbon dioxide with resulting formation of so-called blank damp. The report also discusses the effects of the constituents of black damp on men, on the burning of oil and acetylene lamps, and on the explosibility of methane.

The authors state that the term black damp was and still is widely used to designate accumulations of carbon dioxide, but a more exact definition of black damp, as Haldane, the English physiologist, has pointed out, is an accumulation of carbon dioxide and nitrogen in proportions larger than those found in atmospheric air. The authors prefer Haldane's definition.

The bulletin treats on the comparison of atmospheric air with mine air, effects on man of variations in composition and amount of air, the effect of temperature and moisture on man, the action of oxygen in coal, the influence of moisture on rate of absorption of oxygen by coal, the effect of lowering oxygen and raising carbon dioxide content on explosibility of methane-air mixtures, and the consumption of oxygen and production of carbon dioxide by men and by lights.

Copies of this bulletin may be obtained free of charge by addressing the Director of the Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

SUSPECT INCENDIARISM

Man Accused of Starting Blaze At Soisson's Bolivar Plant.

John Smith of Philadelphia, suspected of having started the fire which completely destroying the big No. 4 plant of the Soisson Fire Brick company at Bolivar, Sunday, was released Tuesday night following a hearing before Justice of the Peace McHale. There was lack of evidence against the defendant.

It is announced that the corporation will begin immediately the erection of a larger and more modern plant. The plant was purchased by the Soisson Fire Brick company last year from the Hammond interests, and with its destruction by fire 100 men were thrown out of employment. Smith, who came to Bolivar from Philadelphia about a year ago, has been employed by the brick company for some time past. Recently, it is said, he was discharged and it was reported that he had been loafing about the plant a short time before the blaze broke out.

RAILROAD ORDERS

In February Were Less Than in January or in February, 1916.

Domestic orders for Locomotives placed February totaled 252 compared with 512 in January and 272 in February, 1916. There were 6,78 freight cars ordered during February compared with 14,095 in January and 9,323 in February, 1916.

February rail orders aggregated 152 thousand tons compared with 360 thousand tons ordered in January and 125 thousand tons in February of last year. Equipment orders for foreign account placed during February are not included in the above totals.

New Coal and Coke Offices.

F. C. Chadwick & Company have opened offices in Land Title Building, Philadelphia, to engage in a general coal and coke business.

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MAKE COMPLETE SURVEY

Of the Food Resources of the Territory Served by the Road: Ticket Offices to be Employment Centers. Coöperation with All Organizations.

The initiative taken by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, in formulating ways and means to insure increased food production in the territory traversed by its lines, has not only received the strong indorsement of the United States government, but hearty responses to the first announcement of the plan by offers of coöperation from all quarters.

That the great machinery of the railroad is already in operation was evidenced Friday at a meeting in Baltimore of representatives of the commercial development, freight and passenger traffic departments that gathered from all principal points on the system.

At the suggestion of Vice President, Mr. Thompson, and Assistant to Vice President, Mr. Manss, the entire force of experts of the commercial development department for the next thirty days will devote their time in making a study of conditions; compiling data and giving information wherever it may be asked, enlisting the coöperation of the traffic department, both freight and passenger, in gathering this information and advising the public of conditions.

Complete lists have already been made of grain elevators, canning factories, cold storage and other storage warehouses giving their full capacity and amount of available food stuffs on hand. Farmers and truck gardeners together with their available acreage and number of acres planted, naming kind of product, are being listed by territories with their nearest Baltimore & Ohio agency.

Every ticket agent on the line will be a center of information for employment, and will be supplied with agricultural literature issued by the government concerning the cultivation, particularly of potatoes, tomatoes, onions, beans and other vegetables in common use; also the making of truck gardens and small city gardens. One hundred and fifty thousand of these pamphlets will be distributed among agents and are available to all persons who desire to make use of them.

Mayors of cities, agricultural colleges, commercial bodies, boards of trade and chambers of commerce, county demonstrators, county advisory committees and others interested in agricultural, have been asked to coöperate and keep in touch with the farmers and granges in their respective counties to furnish information concerning agricultural possibilities and coöperate with the commercial development department of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, at Baltimore.

The patriotic farmer will be glad to put his ground to use if labor can be produced, as was the case in the Revolutionary War. Many of the members of the Sons of the American Revolution owe their membership in that association to the fact that their ancestors produced food products for the army forces at war. Patriotism today among the farmers is as strong as it was then.

In the endeavor to secure the necessary skilled labor and to be turned over to the farmer, the people are urged to plant home gardens wherever possible and raise vegetables for home consumption. Schools are asked to instruct the younger boys and girls in home gardening. The use of backyards in city districts will be an immense help, and if all the people that have the space will put it to practical use in food products, the burden of the farmer and the government will be lessened accordingly.

It has been intimated that the soft city man is of very little use to the farmer for heavy work, but the farmers are facing unusual conditions which must be and will be met in an emergency of this kind. They can easily be employed in the lighter labor on the farm, thus permitting the farmer to do the heavier work and thus help in increasing the food products.

From reports already received from farmers, the amount of available but unused farm lands because of lack of efficient farm labor is astonishing, and this is a serious problem to be solved.

The patriotic farmers of America assure those willing to assist at this time that the assistance so rendered will not be for personal financial benefit of the farmer, but for the Nation, and assures those who are willing to help such treatment of board and lodging and other things as one American citizen should accord to another in times such as these, and the organizations above mentioned will coöperate with the farmers if this is done.

BIG COAL DEAL.

R. M. Fry Sells 88 Acres to Consolidated Coke Company.

R. M. Fry has sold 88 acres of coal in Nicholson township to the Consolidated Coke company, the purchasers paying $30,000 for the coal and assuming in addition a mortgage for $50,000. The coal was purchased last Monday by Mr. Fry, who is general manager of the Orient Coke company from Ira W. Fast and Allen J. Fast, administrators of the estate of Jacob Cover, deceased. The consideration was $72,000.

Six tracts of coal comprise the piece of land, the largest being a tract of 53.37 acres.

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BIG COAL PRODUCERS

Of Connellsville Region; H. C. Frick Coke Co. Easily Leads with Output of Over 19,000,000 Tons.

The annual reports of the mine inspectors of the bituminous districts, with very few exceptions, showed considerable increases in production during 1916. The output of the operators in the several districts of the Connellsville coke region, in excess of 100,000 tons, is given by the following:

H. C. Frick Coke Co.	19,084 467
Keystone Coal & Coke Co.	3,824,427
W. J. Rainey	2,615,400
Westmoreland Coal Co.	2,227,955
Pittsburg-Westmoreland Coal Co.	1,780,345
Washington Coal & Coke Co.	1,410,346
Jamison Coal & Coke Co.	1,323,220
Republic Iron & Steel Co.	1,063,411
Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	901,103
Thompson Connellsville Coke Co.	808,657
Latrobe Consolidated C. & C. Co.	800,926
Hostetter Connellsville Coke Co.	787,510
Consolidated Coke Co.	786,742
W. Harry Brown	621,665
Connellsville Central Coke Co.	505,566
Equitable Coke Co.	486,804
Bessemer Coke Co.	464,773
Greensburg Coal Co.	442,916
Crucible Fuel Co.	433,201
New Alexandria Coke Co.	420,050
Shenango Furnace Co.	408,244
Taylor Coal & Coke Co.	406 172
Lincoln Coal & Coke Co.	405,000
Orient Coke Co.	375,574
Atlantic Crushed Coke Co.	353,060
Mount Pleasant Coke Co.	347,762
Reliance Coke Co.	328,802
Hillman-Neff Coke Co	325,909
Whyel Coke Co	318,754
Snowden Coke Co.	281,806
Brier Hill Coke Co.	263,244
Westmoreland-Connellsville C. & C. Co.	250,103
Latrobe Coal Co.	247,852
Hecla Coal & Coke Co.	220,849
Graceton Coke Co.	214,804
Donohoe Coke Co.	196,537
McKeefrey Coal Co.	185,032
Labelle Coke Co.	182,648
Hustead-Semans Coke Co.	182,152
Puritan Coke Co.	181,478
Byrne Coal & Coke Co.	179,842
Atlas Coke Co.	177,776
Century Coke Co.	177,657
American Manganese Co.	170,563
Union Connellsville Coke Co.	162,331
United Connellsville Coke Co.	154,074
Stewart Iron Co.	145,932
Struthers Coal & Coke Co.	145,813
American Consol Coal & Coke Co.	140,032
Waltersburg Coke Co.	136,948
Fredericktown Coal & Coke Co.	130,034
Poland Coal Co.	130,892
Etna Connellsville Coke Co.	130,000
South Fayette Coke Co	130,000
Evans Coal Co.	122,019
W. J. Parshall	113,326
Clare Coke Co	105 246
Brownfield Coal & Coke Co.	100,937

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Lower Connellsville District

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Total Ovens	In Bl'st	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
			MERCHANT OVENS.	
40	.....	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
400	400	Allcia	W. Harry Brown	Allcia, Fay. Co
293	293	Allison No. 1	W J Rainey	New York
200	200	Allison No. 2	W J Rainey	New York
142	142	American No. 1	American C'ville C. & C. Co.	Pittsburg
240	240	American No. 2	American C'ville C. & C. Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Anlos	The Wilkey & Feather Coke Co	Uniontown
42	.....	Bellevernon	Bellevernon Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
257	.....	Besco	Champion Gas Coal Co.	Pittsburg
20	20	Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50	50	Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
84	84	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
205	205	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40	40	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Crystal	United Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
286	286	Denbo	Reliance Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
402	402	Donald 1 & 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
180	160	Donald 3	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
149	149	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co	Uniontown
32	.....	Emory	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	32	Finley	Jas. Bryne & Co.	Uniontown
80	80	Fretts	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
119	80	Garwood	Aetna-Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
58	58	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
200	200	Griffin No. 1	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	200	Griffin No. 2	Hillman-Neff Coke Co.	Pittsburg
210	210	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
45	45	Hillside	Westmoreland Gas Coal Co	Pittsburg
52	40	Hill Top	E. Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
194	116	Hoover	James H Hoover	McClellandtown
38	38	Hope	Hope Coke Co.	Uniontown
195	195	Hustead	Hustead-Semans Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
260	260	Isabella	Isabella-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
140	140	Katherine	Union Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co.	Helen
30	30	Leon	Franklin Coke Co	Mt. Pleasant
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
40	40	Little Gem	The Sixler Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
250	250	Low Phos	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
34	34	Luzerne	Luzerne Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
64	60	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
132	132	Menallen	Menallen Coke Co.	Uniontown
300	300	Mt. Hope	Mt. Hope Coke Co.	Uniontown
60	60	Murphy	Ronaro Coal & Coke Co	Connellsville
100	100	Old Home	W J Parshall	Uniontown
480	440	Orient	Orient Coke Co	Uniontown
202	202	Puritan	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	30	Perry	Perry Coke Co	Pittsburg
72	72	Plumer	Plumer Coke Co.	Uniontown
101	101	Poland	Poland Coal Co.	Pittsburg
120	46	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co.	Outcrop
86	.....	Rice	Rice Coal & Coke Co	Connellsville
365	365	Royal	W J Rainey	New York
30	30	Sackett	H R Sackett Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
378	378	Searight	Taylor Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
260	260	Shamrock	Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
60	40	Solon	Prospect Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
310	250	Sterling	Consolidated C'ville Coke Co	Uniontown
50	.....	Sunshine No. 2	Lodone-Giulioni Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
400	400	Thompson No. 1	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	400	Thompson No. 2	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
590	506	Tower Hill 1	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
594	254	Tower Hill 2	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
24	.....	Virgie	Byrne Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
500	500	Washington 1	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
600	460	Washington 2	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
76	76	Winsland	Banning-Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
60	60	Winmore	Winsland-Gilmore Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
36	36	Yukon	Whyel Coke Co	Uniontown
11,819	10,706			
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120	.....	Atcheson	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Gans
100	100	Bridgeport	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	430	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Brier Hill
428	428	Buffington	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	421	Colonial No. 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
166	166	Colonial No. 3	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
300	300	Colonial No. 4	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
260	260	Dearth	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	481	Edenborn	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
200	200	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co	Fairbank
400	400	Footedale	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
202	202	Geneva	McKeefrey Coal Co	Leetonia, O
200	200	LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co	Labelle
462	400	Lambert	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
516	501	Leckrone	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
244	150	Martin	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Youngstown, O
30	30	Newcomer	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Uniontown
350	350	Ronco	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
5,826	5,437			

CENTER OF RICH COAL FIELD

Is Lens, Reported to Have Been Captured by the British Army; Annual Output 15,000,000 Tons.

Lens, the ancient French city of 27,000 inhabitants, which the British are reported to have occupied is in the center of one of the richest coal regions of Northern France, says a bulletin of the National Geographic Society. It is surrounded by 200 square miles of coal fields which prior to the war yielded annually 15,000,000 tons of fuel and which gave employment to 25,000 men. In addition to this great industry the city itself had numerous steel and iron foundries, engineering works and steel cable manufactories.

The city is 12 miles north of Arras by rail and some 18 miles southwest of Lille. On the line between Arras and Lens is the village of Vimy, which gives its name to the famous ridge over which the contending armies have been fighting for nearly two years, and which Haig's troops captured last week. To the northwest is Calais, 70 miles distant by rail. The Deule or Souchez River flows through the town, thereby, with the Lens Canal, affording water transportation northward into the Lys.

The town, which was formerly fortified, was captured many times during the wars which devastated Flanders during the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, but the event which gives it an enduring place in the chronicles of the past was the victory won in this vicinity by the Great Conde, Louis II de Bourbon, or the duc d'Enghein, as he was styled in early life. Here the Conde defeated the Spaniards in 1648 and regained his great military prestige which had suffered through the machinations of his jealous enemies at the French court.

NOTED LAWYER DIES

John G. Johnston, Leader of Pennsylvania Bar Succumbs to Brief Illness.

John G. Johnston, a leading corporation lawyer, died at his home in Philadelphia Saturday after two days' illness. He was attorney for the Pennsylvania railroad, the Baldwin Locomotive Works and other large corporations, and was counsel for the United States Steel Corporation in its suit still pending before the United States Supreme Court.

Although little is known of his early life, it is said that he was a blacksmith until he was 30 years of age, when he took up the study of law. Such was the success that he attained that he was twice asked to become a member of the Supreme Court and once declined the office of Attorney General of the United States.

ANOTHER COAL DEAL.

Fifty-Six Acres in Saltlick Township Are Sold.

Sale of 56 acres and 84 perches of coal together with seven acres and 110 perches of surface in Saltlick township was made Friday by George S. Snyder of Saltlick township to George W. Deeds of Ligonier and H. E. Marker of Greensburg.

The consideration was $3,210.55. The coal is at Champion, a short distance from the Indian Creek Valley railroad.

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INSPECTORS IN SESSION

James S. Darr of Connellsville, Leads Discussion On Co-operation With Other Authorities; Pledge of Support in the War Crisis Is Made.

Fatal accidents in the 11 counties comprising the Western Pennsylvania district increased in the first three months of 1917 over the corresponding period of 1916, despite all precautionary steps of the factory inspectors, according to reports submitted at a conference of factory inspectors in Pittsburg Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. In Fayette, according to Factory Inspector James S. Darr of Connellsville, the number jumped from 26 in 1916 to 30 in 1917, there being six industrial fatalities in 1916, 19 in the mines and one in public service plants, whereas in the first quarter of the present year there were five deaths in industrial plants, three in public service plants and 22 in the mines.

The total for the entire district was 93 industrial fatalities, 97 mining and 22 public service, compared with 85 industrial, 101 mining and 23 public service in 1916. Mining fatalities and those in public service operations both showed decreases.

In Westmoreland county there were three fatalities in industrial plants and 25 in the mines this year so far while for the first quarter of 1916 there were two in industrial plants, three in public service operations and 12 in the mines.

The conference included discussions by various inspectors of problems they go up against. Mr. Darr, who has shown best results in securing coöperation of other authorities in his work, lead the discussion of that subject.

The inspectors adopted the following resolution offering their support to the governor in his efforts to marshal the state's resources for the war.

"Whereas, The United States and Congress has declared that a state of war exists with a foreign nation, and whereas, the governor of this state has pledged the support of all people and the resources of this commonwealth to the federal government, therefore,

"Be it resolved, that we, the inspections force of the State Department of Labor & Industry of the Pittsburg district, comprising 12 counties in Western Pennsylvania, in meeting assembled this date, commend the action of the governor and through the head of our department, Commissioner John Price Jackson, assure the state and federal auhtorities that we will each hold ourselves in readiness to do and perform any service to which we may be assigned, with an earnest hope that our country will emerge victoriously from this great conflict and the rights and liberties of the people of this nation be maintained and preserved."

WILL DONATE AMBULANCES

Coal Men to Equip and Maintain Additions to the American Ambulance Corps with the French Army.

Prominent coal men of the state, including M. H. Taylor, chairman of the board of directors of the Pittsburg Coal company and S. P. Hutchinson, president Westmoreland Coal company, are active in a movement to secure funds to donate and maintain ambulances in the American Ambulance Corps with the French army.

The cars so given will be divided between the American Ambulance Field Service and the Paris Section, which latter is attached to the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris. They will bear a name-plate reading "Coal Trade of the U. S. A." it being customary for donors' names to appear in this way. Thus the French people as well as the French government are informed of our active material support and coöperation as well as our sympathy.

Donors usually maintain their cars for a year. It costs approximately $1,600 to equip and maintain a car for a year in this service.

The American ambulance service in France is looked after by a highly efficient, thoroughly trained personnel and should an American army corps be sent to France, the entire plant can and will be transferred to it when and as needed.

Making Repairs.

Repairs are being made on the Niles, O., blast furnace of the Carnegie Steel company. The stack will be blown in as soon as an adequate coke supply is assured. The furnace has been idle since last December.

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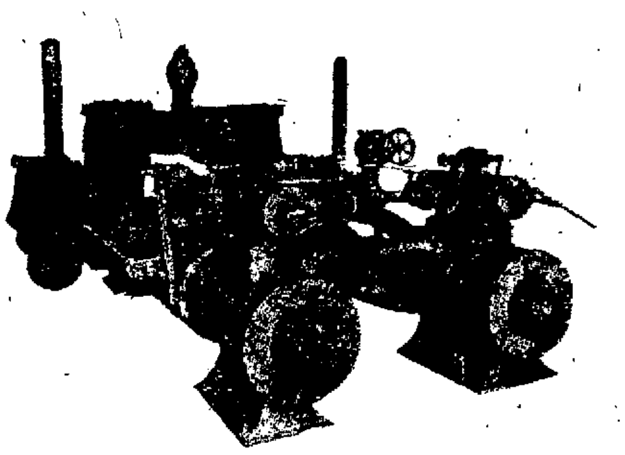

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A CHALLENGE TO DUTY.

The appeal of President Wilson to the people of America to enlist in the great economic "service army to prepare our nation to withstand the supreme test to which it is being subjected, is the challenge of our country to duty

It is addressed to no class but to all classes, not to one sex, but to both, not to one group of citizens but to all, calling upon them, in whatever station or activity they may be engaged, to patriotically assume the manifold duties of citizenship aside from those following enlistment in the military service

It directs attention to the supreme importance of conserving and increasing the productive resources of the nation as vitally necessary to the maintenance of our armed forces and civilians as well It is a reminder that weightier obligations rest upon each and every citizen than ever before in our history, and that we must bring ourselves to discharge them with a complete forgetfulness of self

We must take a new view of life and our relations to each other giving place to motives that are far removed from gain profit or material advantage, and make ourselves willing to accept whatever sacrifice the hour or the day may demand We must concentrate our energies give intelligent direction to every effort do everything well, eliminate our wastes and extravagance and demonstrate our efficiency as individuals and as a nation We are dared to show to the world that we can do a great thing worthily"

That is the challenge to you and to every other citizen Gird yourself to meet it as becomes a son or daughter of America

ALL MUST MAKE READY.

When Irvin S Cobb the noted writer went to Europe as a war correspondent he was rather lukewarm in his support of Preparedness as a measure of national policy or necessity What he saw on the battlefields in prison camps and hospitals changed his views and he determined to return to America and warn us of the dangers that menace our country if we like some of the European nations engaged in the war, fail to make adequate preparation Why he became convinced that we too must make ourselves ready Mr Cobb states thus

It was because I did see what war meant in Europe and some things so unutterably horrible that I dare not try to tell them and because I realized then as I never had realized before that given similar conditions and a similar foe to fight our soldiers might suffer what I had seen the soldiers of Belgium and France suffering and our people our own American people might be visited by the same afflictions which lie so heavily on poor little Belgium that I **realize that the country which puts itself into the state of a large, ripe rich, flabby oyster without a shell is only inviting quick destruction and because I realized that the best life insurance ever conceived was a state of complete preparedness against the other contingency, imbued with the idea that our country, not to make war but to keep it away, should have the best army the best navy the strongest coast defenses American dollars could buy and American manhood could man**

And all of us now have come to believe it—even the voice of Bryan even the dove like notes of Bryan are no longer heard One ex President of the nation a Republican holds up the hands of the existing President a Democrat and another ex President clamors for the chance to lead American troops against the foe And the chief lesson that I would drive home to the heart of every one is that we have got to get ready and we have got to face the contingency that our people may suffer just what the people of France and Belgium and England and Russia have suffered against the same enemy And moreover we have got to remember we are not fighting only for the honor of our flag and the freedom of the high seas and the lives of our own people

We are not fighting the German people we are fighting a system a putrid cruel murderous insane system and our country goes to war not on the people but on the system It goes to war for the preservation of republican government on the face of the earth

To face the task before us will demand of us all, whether in the military service, business, industry or agriculture the supremest efforts of our lives We will have to give of our time our talents, our energies our money and perhaps of our life's blood, because war has never been waged without heavy sometimes stunning blows delivered in return

To be ready to meet whatever issues the days or years ahead of us may have in store every one of us who does not go to the front must serve behind the lines either in money or in the work of our hands or in that which means more to the nation in peril than any material force in wholehearted loyalty to our flag our President our soldiers and our country

ALIENS AND TREASON.

Some aliens resident of different sections of the country have conceived the false notion that because they are subjects of another government they are not amenable to the laws of the United States particularly those relating to treason

It is important therefore to both aliens and citizens, that this false impression should be corrected Judge Joseph Buffington of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals has done so by explaining the meaning and intent of the federal statute relating to offenses of this character In commenting upon Judge Buffington's explanations the Pittsburg Gazette Times says

The law relating to treason is all-embracive and on conviction of the crime the penalty is death or at the discretion of the court long imprisonment and heavy fine The federal statute enacts that whoever owing allegiance to the United States commits certain specified acts is guilty of treason and the Supreme Court of the United States has held that the alien while domiciled in the country owes a local and temporary allegiance which continues during the period of his residence To assume that an alien could not commit treason and suffer the penalty would be to assume that he is immune to the consequences of all other criminal acts under the laws

Judge Buffington also points out a fact not generally known that there is a lesser grade of treason not punishable by death but which carries a severe penalty This consists of knowing of the treason of others and failing to make it known This kind of treason might be committed by a man who regards himself as an average good citizen but who is too easy going to do his duty in assisting proper officers in the detection and punishment of crime It is so important that all should know and do their duty, but especially under existing conditions that we quote from the statute as follows

Whoever owing allegiance to the United States and having knowledge of the commission of any treason against them conceals and does not as soon as may be disclose and make known the same to the President or to some Judge of the United States or to the Governor or to some Judge or Justice of a particular State is guilty of misprision of treason and shall be imprisoned not more than seven years and fined not more than $1,000

Both aliens and citizens will find that ample provision has been made by existing laws to meet every situation which may arise from a disposition to create trouble or engage in pernicious activities against the government They will also find that the means will not be lacking to give effective application of the laws The best and the least they can or should do is to go about their business in an orderly and quiet manner and refrain from every act or word that will tend to invite the imposition of the penalties of the law

TO FLAG DESECRATORS.

"If any man insults the flag, knock him down twice!"

This is the form of swift retributive justice Mayor Marietta would have loyal and patriotic citizens administer to desecrators of the Stars and Stripes This is not exactly the procedure prescribed by statutes in such cases and in making his recommendation the Mayor did not mean to counsel any one to commit breaches of the peace Rather did he give notice that such manifestations of disloyalty as insulting the flag will not be tolerated as well as expressing the feeling of all patriotic Americans that outbursts of this character should and will be rigorously dealt with

It is but further warning to those unfriendly to the government that they must bridle their tongues and keep close rein upon their un-American sympathies if they would escape invoking the penalties of the law not to mention the danger of provoking some warm-blooded American to act as judge and executioner on the spot

ARE HERE FOR BUSINESS

Our civilian population will have to learn if they have not already that the National Guardsmen on duty at different points throughout the country have been placed there under positive instructions to protect public railway or other industrial property from damage or destruction by evil intentioned trespassers Their duty requires them to challenge persons who without authority approach within prescribed limits Such challenged person cannot safely disregard the orders of a guard or refuse to properly identify himself when required Failing to do so the guard has instructions to enforce his orders even to the extent of using his rifle for that purpose

We must remember that we are now at war The armed sentinels wearing the uniform of the state or federal governments are engaged in the real business of soldiering They are not halting passers by as a joke or to show their authority but as a part of their duty Civilians will suffer no harm at their hands if they answer all challenges promptly are on lawful errands and can give satisfactory account of themselves The sentinels have orders to take no chances they could not perform their duty properly if they did The civilians on their part should take no risks

Save and serve

WILL HAVE TO LEARN.

It is very probable that several more or less severe applications of the law will need to be made before some citizens learn that there is a vast difference between a state of peace and a state of war so far as freedom of speech and action are concerned

In times of peace in this country practically no restriction is placed upon utterances except that they shall not be of so inflammatory a character as to incite grave disorders or the commission of crime Any and every person has the right to give expression to their opinions views and sympathies within due and reasonable bounds The government may be criticized and objections may properly be made against any proposed policy and in so doing citizens will be within their rights if they are within the limits of moderation

In time of war such as is our present state wholly different conditions obtain and certain definite and positive restrictions are placed upon the speech and conduct of citizens These apply especially to those persons whose attitude toward the government is unfriendly and whose acts are purposely disloyal No one can avow their support of an enemy of the government interfere with the execution of or counsel opposition or resistance to the decrees laws proclamations or orders of the executives and expect to escape liability for the imposition of severe penalties

Thus far there has been the greatest moderation shown in dealing with that element in our citizenship which is disposed to be disloyal The patience and forbearance of the authorities has arisen from a desire to refrain from restrictive measures in the belief that the people will themselves come to understand more fully what a state of war means and of their own accord order their walk and conversation in conformity with the requirement Some offenses have been committed however which are of so flagrant a character that no discretion has been left officers but to deal with the offenders promptly An instance in point is the arrest of a Pittsburg minister who during an address counselled resistance to draft and sought generally to dissuade persons from enlisting in the military or naval service of the United States

That the law which prescribes penalties for such offenses was enacted during our last great war should remind everyone that its purpose was to meet just such a situation as has developed from the declaration that a state of war now exists between the United States and Germany Unrestrained speech which is intended to give expression to a rebellious unfriendly or unsympathetic attitude toward the government cannot now be indulged except at a greater risk than any discreet person should be willing to assume

If they cannot or will not learn from the example of those more prudent or wise they may be expected to be made an example to others

COALITION NOT NEEDED.

The suggestion to form a coalition cabinet does not seem to gain much in public favor The history of bipartisan bodies of this character has had much to do with this view they having more frequently tended to produce discord and division of responsibility than to promote harmony and efficiency in administration There are therefore many reasons why one should not be formed in the present situation in our country but there is every reason why President Wilson should not continue to hold himself aloof from consultation with experienced and able men of both parties

The questions involved by the issues of the war with Germany concern the whole country The people are divided into two great political parties and each has the right to be taken into account The Republicans in Congress have consistently pursued a course designed to eliminate politics from the consideration of war questions They have stood almost to a man solidly behind the President and by their action have made possible the enactment of practically every administration measure proposed In view of this loyal and patriotic support on part of the minority in Congress which is now almost in the majority in the House there is a growing sentiment that the President should show some appreciation of the efforts to obliterate politics from the war situation by taking the Republican leaders in and out of Congress into his confidence and conferring with them at times about legislative matters and questions of national policy

Thus far President Wilson has personally managed the war situation No Republicans and few Democrats have been permitted to know in advance what was to be proposed The President has kept his own counsel and apparently takes the advice of no one except close personal friends

Earlier presidents in the grave crises of their administrations did not hesitate to enlist leaders outside of their cabinets When we were on the verge of war with France President Adams sent for ex President Washington and sought his advice and counsel and profited by it It was not necessary then nor is it necessary now to form a coalition cabinet to command the wisdom and talents of men of the Republic whose knowledge of world affairs would be of great value to our country

By an enlistment of the cooperation and interest of such men as W H Taft Theodore Roosevelt Elihu Root Senators Knox and Lodge and other statesmen Republican and Democratic alike President Wilson will have an unusual opportunity to show to the country that the non partisan conduct of the war is not to be one sided and that a coalition cabinet will not be needed

At intervals somewhat rare it is true Governor Brumbaugh performs a really sensible and meritorious act His approval of the bill increasing the State constabulary very properly belongs to this class

DISLOYAL CITIZENS

In Connellsville and vicinity there are a number of citizens of foreign birth or descent who have not yet come to a realizing sense of the fact that their utterances and attitude are fast setting them apart from their wiser and more patriotic neighbors as enemies of the government Enemies may seem to them a harsh term to use but in the present situation there can be no other distinction between residents than the two classes into which they have divided themselves—those who are for America and those who are against America

If those who are so disloyal to the country of their adoption that they will not allow its claims upon them to be superior and stronger than the ties of family relations which may bind them to Germany they will have to learn to exercise sufficient wisdom and discretion to refrain from a course of conduct and inconsiderate speech which will make them subjects of suspicion by the loyal people of the neighborhood

The members of the Liederkranz have placed themselves on record as being true in their loyalty to their country which has provided them with a new home Those who cannot bring themselves to join with the members of this organization in standing as firm in their support of the government will have no reasonable cause for complaint if they are made to feel the community's displeasure at their lack of patriotism They will be obliged to order their behavior entirely different from that preceding the declaration of hostilities between Germany and the United States Then they were privileged to express their sympathies with Germany with which country we were then at peace Now if their hearts have not changed with the change in our relations with Germany they will have to materially alter their conduct and refrain from any and everything that has the appearance of disloyalty Otherwise they cannot hope to escape being classed as unfriendly to if not also enemies of the government

RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP

That over 100 ladies of Connellsville signified their intention of becoming identified with some phase of Red Cross work as was done at the organization meeting on Monday night shows that the interest in this movement has not arisen from a momentary enthusiasm Instead it evidences an earnest desire upon the part of the subscribing members to have a share in the gigantic task before our country in its preparation for war

It further proves if proof were needed which there is not that in times of threatened or actual distress or danger no reliance for aid or comfort is safer or surer than the sacrificing womanhood of our land In every war of modern times and in every great catastrophe or calamity of peace the kindly ministrations of the Red Cross have alleviated suffering and relieved distress more effectively than any other human agency

While men have been identified with many Red Cross activities the organization in its conception and in its administration has been largely a woman's work The success which has marked its history is due to the singleness of purpose of the self sacrificing women who have directed its operation It has had as great or a history as its purposes have been praiseworthy Membership in it can be esteemed an honor for that membership means unselfish service which seeks no reward

Even in the event that war with all its horrors as Europe has known it does not come to us the knowledge gained and the benefits derived from membership in the Red Cross will be useful in many emergencies of peace Viewed from this standpoint alone every mother and young woman in the community should thoughtfully consider taking membership But when it is remembered that the present purpose and need is to assist in preparing our nation to meet another war there ought to be neither hesitation nor delay in enrolling as a member

FIFTY-FIFTY WITH UNCLE SAM

Now that our country has need of young men to take their places as its first defenders at a time which is fraught with the most significant importance to us as a nation there should be ready answer to Uncle Sam's call Not as the result of a temporary enthusiasm for service as a soldier sailor or marine but as a duty owing the nation

What this duty is has been so aptly expressed by Captain W J Fay now in charge of the United States Marine Corps recruiting station in Pittsburg that no young man who is considering the claims of his country upon his services should fail to read what he says in an appeal to young men to become recruits

Decide today young man that it is up to you to do your part in order to be on the level with Uncle Sam on a straight 50-50 basis He's carried out his part of the contract ever since you were born He's given you a decent healthy country to live in all the police and fire protection that's needed for a healthy rational American being and a much more reasonable chance to make a respectable living than any other nation on earth

Now for your part of the contract Uncle Sam doesn't want much or anything unreasonable All he asks is that just now when it looks a bit as if there might come a tight pinch for him you show how much gratitude there is in your makeup The way you can show that is to make plain your willingness to stand by and give a hand in this possible pinch

Young men cannot afford to play the game less fairly than Uncle Sam has played it Make it straight fifty fifty

Rev Frosse charged with attempting to dissuade men from enlisting in the military service says that if a foreign foe men aced this nation he would be the first to enlist There are several recruiting offices within easy reach of the United Peoples Church and all are open six days in the week

"There is no age limit for enlistment in the service army

DIVIDING HONORS.

The manifestation of patriotism by the American people is being exceeded in its warmth and sincerity only by the number and variety of forms by which it is being given expression

The young men of the country are displaying it by their willingness to enlist the veterans in the foreign service of the United States are eager to again follow the flag withersoever it may lead manufacturers of every class of material that is needed in the work of preparation for war have placed their establishments and their vast resources at the government's disposal organized labor has declared its purpose to maintain industry at its maximum activity the women of the land are forming Red Cross units and other auxiliary organizations which have a most important and useful part in the complete equipment of our army and navy for actual service in the war From every quarter and from every class comes the question What can I do to help? evidencing an almost universal desire upon part of our citizens to contribute their share to the country's needs

To the doctors of Philadelphia belongs the honor though of giving proof of their patriotism in a wholly new way—in a way no other class of men has ever done during a war in any part of the world Out of the 3 000 physicians in the city about 100 are available for service in the Army Reserve Medical Corps and will very probably be called in case of actual hostilities These volunteers have proposed that while they are at the front the doctors at home shall care for their patients Not to be outdone by this liberal offer the doctors who will remain have expressed their willingness to turn over to the doctors in the army service all the fees they receive from their patients Further when the war ends and the army surgeons come home all their old patients will be returned to them A committee of the medical society has been appointed to arrange the details of the plan so that it is more than a mere suggestion prompted by a momentary enthusiasm or patriotism

Under such an unselfish division of cuts and the generous terms by which it is to be carried out the honors for patriotism must be divided evenly between the doctors who will go to the front and those who stay at home

SHOULD GET CREDIT

When the work of recruiting the new army under the law now being framed by Congress begins there will be a large number of men willing and anxious to serve the government who will be unable to pass the physical tests which are prescribed for admission to the military service Their failure will be a distinct disappointment not only because they will be denied the opportunity to serve their country which they sought but those persons who are not familiar with the facts may be tempted to class such men as slackers

Nobody says the Pittsburg Gazette Times relishes being thought a slacker Yet there are numbers of men in every community who have offered themselves at the recruiting stations only to be rejected because of physical disability Some impairment apparent only to army and navy medical examiners may keep a man out of the service but will not excuse him in the eyes of his friends because they cannot see it

Recently a popular English comedian was hissed in a New York theatre because some people in the audience thought he should be in the trenches instead of enjoying the immunity accorded members of the acting profession by his government The actor was forced to explain that he had offered himself for service both in England and in Canada but had been refused because of his physical condition and that he was helping all he could with his earnings on the stage

To encourage men to go to the recruiting stations and to relieve from embarrassment those who are rejected would it not be right to designate a badge or lapel button for those who fail to pass the examiners? Men should get credit for their offer to enlist

This is a timely suggestion and one that should be promptly acted upon by the authorities A man who is a patriot but is denied the opportunity to show that he is should not be classed with those who evade every opportunity to show that they are not patriots

NO HALF PREPARATION

The country would be very much dissatisfied and justly so if the preparations for war were being conducted less energetically or upon a less comprehensive plan The people realize that if war comes in earnest it will be the most stubbornly fought of any in which our country has ever been engaged We waited long and patiently in the hope that war might be avoided Now that it is upon us no half way measures no half preparation can be risked

The peace feelers which are being sent out from central Europe will not be permitted to halt the plans of complete preparedness upon which the country has entered These may or may not be bona fide and even if emanating from official sources may lack sincerity That there is even the suggestion of peace at this time is a hopeful sign that we may be spared participation in a bloody war but we must not and will not be deterred from making ourselves ready for any eventuality

The more complete and thorough our preparation the greater will be the assurance that peace will come in due course—not partial or insecure peace but the peace for which we entered the war—permanent and abiding peace between all nations of the earth

The flags continue to go up not to keep company with the high cost of living but to mark the rising tide of patriotism

A USEFUL MISSIONARY WORK.

That run on the postal savings department of the Mount Pleasant postoffice is an indication of the possible harm that can result from the foreign element in the country not clearly understanding the attitude of our government with respect to the property and money of aliens Recalling the action of some of the European nations in diverting postal savings to war uses it is natural that without definite knowledge of what our own government will do under similar circumstances aliens in this country would expect the same course to be followed

Official notice has been given that the person and property of aliens will be unharmed if they behave but it is doubtful as the Mount Pleasant incident indicates that this knowledge has become general among the foreign element Under the circumstances it should be made the duty of every person and agency like store managers pastors and banks with foreign departments to make a systematic effort to correctly inform foreigners At this time this is a very useful and necessary form of missionary work

The historical loyalty of the dwellers on the tops of the Alleghenies is being proven anew by the stalwart sons who walk from 17 to 60 miles to the recruiting stations to take service under Uncle Sam The brave hearts the steady hands and keen eyes of the soldiers from this section have marked them as among the best from the days of the Revolution until now It will be found that the boys of today have lost nothing of the soldierly qualities of their sturdy forbears

When Old Glory gets to the top of the 80 foot flag staff in city hall lawn it will be well above the line of coke smoke but not beyond the limits of our patriotism

If your thoughts and opinions on the present situation are not exactly right you will find it best to keep them to yourself while the keeping is good

Never was there a better time than the present for all citizens to prove that a still tongue makes a wise head

With a German raising the Stars and Stripes at one of the machine shops in the city and the daughters of German Russian Austria Hungarian Polish and Americans joining in the forming the [illegible] at a coke plant we have new proof that we have no further use for the hyphen in this country

Selling coke plants these times is almost as profitable as running them

When Great Britain made the first war loan of $500,000,000 the English thought they had accomplished financial wonders With a first loan of $5,000,000,000 or fourteen times the amount of Great Britain we are not a bit puffed up We have been figuring in billions so long not to feel at home with such an imposing array of figures

The brilliant and irresistible charges of the Canadian troops on the western front will give the Germans a fair idea of what the Yankee cousins of the Canadians will do when they get into action

With the families of the President and the Vice President adopting the simplest scale of living it will be either good form sound sense or genuine patriotism for others to refuse to follow their example

Judge Gary chairman of the United States Steel Corporation says that we can win the war with Germany the essentials to victory Unlimited credit unlimited supplies and unnecessary unlimited man power And back of it all is the power of a just and unselfish cause

When devising means to circumvent The Herr from leading American [illegible] against the German of the [illegible] from Washington is peering into the future just about four years speaking the Hindenburg line has little to greatly [illegible] that [illegible] break the Democratic line of apostolic succession

When it comes to gagging [illegible] that [illegible] them the farmers through their friends in the legislature seem to have no trouble in putting it all over the organized sportsmen

Somewhere is the latest addition to Uncle Sam's long list of post offices and will [illegible] too

The order to discharge all married men who are serving in the National Guard will [illegible] that organization of some very excellent soldier material while the possible approach of conscription [illegible] burdening some excellent young women with very poor husband material This is one case in which the lack of compensation fails to even up things

The man behind the plow will be behind the man behind the gun but not behind him in patriotism

With an army of 1,000,000 fighting men to be raised and trained within the next [illegible] a navy of 00,000 to be raised within a year and an army of 2,000,000 to be recruited to supply labor needs [illegible] production the army strength will almost equal numerically the army of office seekers who will be eagerly [illegible] from a Republican to a Democratic national administration [illegible]

Giving the interned German sailors orders to raise garden truck is vastly better than giving them the chance to raise trouble

With the assurances given by the nation and state county and municipal officers alien residents who are natives of a country with which the United States is at war ought to have no misgivings as to the safety of their persons and property At the same time they ought not to misunderstand that they can continue immunity only by proper behavior

Perroopolis citizens imbued their Americanism from its very fountain head hence their desecration will find its patriotic precincts no very favorable place in which to break loose

That Scottdale bride who braved the superstition of marriage on Friday the 13th with triumph[illegible] optical obstruction If [illegible] have my more [illegible] than I have had today married life would be so bad may have held [illegible] history [illegible]

Plain that strategic retreat does not belong in the verboten [illegible]

Everybody should raise everything they can this summer except trouble

We must all pull together and serve together Are you doing your part?

There is no room for shirkers in the great economic service army

THE SOMERSETIAN FORCHANDEDNESS.

Berlin Record

Our wife has a whole pud hid away in the pantry but she's saving it for a grand raffle when we get hard up

Looking Backward

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1887

A bicycle club is to be organized in town

Walter McBeth becomes delivery clerk in the postoffice succeeding Miss Jennie Coughenour who resigned

S H Howard is elected district grand chief of the Knights of the Golden Eagle

C M Hyatt reports a catch of 126 trout on Bear Run

Mrs Jennie H Gutell us exhibits a portrait of Stewart Strickler by herself and some china paintings by her pupils Miss Emma Newcomer and Miss Lou Boyd in a Main street store window

John I Innes moves his family back to Connellsville and goes to Saxton Bedford county to superintend the construction of some new coke ovens

James Stafford resigns the superintendency of the Connellsville Fire Brick Company's works at Stewarton

John T Munson recently returned from Virginia accepts a clerkship at Davidson made vacant by the resignation of W H Hugus

Three men are killed by black damp at the Davidson pit takes fire and the deadly gas penetrates from old workings adjoining

The Mill Run band purchases new instruments and starts industriously to work practicing for Memorial Day

Political candidates of all kinds besieging Connellsville voters

FRIDAY APRIL 23 1897

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending Saturday April 17 shows a total of 18,111 ovens in the region of which 10,4 3 are in blast and [illegible] idle with a total estimated production of 108,3 1 tons

Shipments for the week aggregate [illegible] cars distributed as follows To Pittsburg 2,426 cars to points West [illegible] cars to points East 1,167 cars an increase of [illegible] cars over the previous week

Rev J J Mullaney former pastor of the Connellsville Baptist Church completes arrangements to leave here and take up the practice of law in Columbus O

Twenty two candidates take the examination for fire boss and mine foreman the tests being given by an examining board consisting of Mine Inspector Bernard Callaghan of the Ninth district, R O Thomas and John Stevenson

Fifteen Morrell Poles march a prisoner into New Haven for justice, he professes constituting one of the [illegible] rest sights seen in a long time

Eighteen new houses are contracted for in South Connellsville and P J Flynn is given the job of grading three streets there The building boom is likely to continue it is thought.

General Manager W M Green and Receiver Oscar C Murray of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad visit Connellsville They promise that the town will get new passenger and freight depot, but say nothing about shops

Improvements at the Cottage State Hospital are nearing completion the new ward being almost ready for occupancy The improvements to date have cost $1,100

The Easter trade is well above the average with shoe merchants and milliners coming in for a large share There is a marked decline in the price of eggs which can now be purchased for 11 cents a dozen

Burgess J Brinner issued a notice that the running at large of stock will be prohibited

Charles Weibe places on the market a number of North Side lots the price ranging from $40 to $200

[illegible] Crossland's Sons are building large wagon which when completed will be used by F H Howard the photographer as a portable photograph gallery It is Howard's intention to spend the summer taking some scenes throughout the state

The Catholics celebrate their first mass in their new church on Easter day the basement being opened to the congregation for the first time The church proper is not yet completed

The new iron bridge at Gibson is almost completed all the spans having been put up

WEDNESDAY APRIL 24 1907

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending Saturday April 20 shows total of [illegible] ovens in the region of which 2 [illegible] are in blast and [illegible] idle with a total estimated production of [illegible] tons

Shipments for the week aggregated [illegible] cars distributed as follows To Pittsburg [illegible] cars to points West [illegible] cars to points East 323 cars an increase of [illegible] cars over the previous week

Mrs Alice Kavanaugh aged 100 years dies at her home in Dunbar death being due to infirmities of old age

A deal is closed by which George Pritchard disposes of his restaurant on North Pittsburg street to O [illegible] Clark the consideration [illegible] or being made public Mr Pritchard prepares immediately for a trip to Europe visiting Naples

A J Whittle well known Baltimore & Ohio engineer of the Connellsville division is elected chief engineer of Division No [illegible] Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers

[illegible] Overholt distillery at Broad Ford is in full operation following a long shut down due to disastrous fire several years ago

The contract for a new hotel on Main street to be owned by Joseph Soisson is awarded to the South Connellsville Lumber Company at bid approximating [illegible]

The fire department moves into its new quarters provided in J L Evans' livery stable where a special room has been fitted up for the fire horses and apparatus

Miss [illegible] of New Haven and Ralph [illegible] of [illegible] street are quietly married by Rev W R Warren former pastor of the Christian Church

Allen Hyatt health officer of Connellsville is appointed state sanitary policeman for Fayette county

Colonel James L Barnett resigns as commander of the Tenth Regiment and Lieutenant Colonel Thomas S Crago is placed temporarily in charge Colonel Crago is talking of retiring it is reported and the chances of Major Richard Coulter succeeding to the command seem good

Out of a class of [illegible] candidates for mine foremen [illegible] certificates Out of a class of [illegible] who took the examination for fire bosses only ten make the course percentage

An Apology to Satan.

Louisville Courier Journal

The Kaiser proposes to return what is left of Belgium and Northern France to their proper owners and to make peace for a reasonable indemnity Satan gave the Lord a better deal than that Taking him on a mountain he offered Him the whole of the earth below But he required no indemnity The Courier Journal begs Satan's pardon for mentioning him in the same breath with the Kaiser

Planting Money.

Waynesburg Democrat

Planting onions and potatoes this spring will be much the same as planting money

Law Does Not Apply.

Cumberland [illegible]

The eight hour day law doesn't apply to working in your own garden.

VACANT LOTS OF THE CITY OFFERED FREE TO INCREASE PRODUCTION OF FOOD CROPS

Fertile Ground on West Side, Owned by Robert Norris and John Duggan, May be Had on Condition That Proper Care is Taken of Gardens Planted Upon It; Other Owners of Unoccupied Land May May Make Similar Offers.

LAND WILL BE PLOWED WITHOUT COST TO USER

Connellsville people who have no space in their back yards to cultivate gardens will be given an opportunity to have as large a city farm as they will take care of this year, since several property owners have agreed to allow this use to be made of vacant lots among their holdings. Men owning West Side lots, especially, are really enthusiastic about this plan of increasing food supply.

Monday several who have ground in Greenwood, West Side, indicated that they were perfectly willing to turn over their lots during the summer, without charge, to people who agree to grow food products on them. Persons who do not intend to take proper care of the gardens, however, are asked not to apply for permission to till the ground.

The plan should prove a boon to residents of the city who like to do a little truck farming, either for love of the work, to cut down cost of living, or to help cultivate crops which will be needed in war time, but who have no ground around their own houses.

Lots will be available between Morrell avenue and the river, on the West Side. Between 30 and 40 of these tracts are owned by Robert Norris, who is willing to allow anyone the use of them, provided he is assured that they will be used for the proper cultivation of crops. These lots have been in sod for the past 20 years and would make good soil for farming, it is thought. There is a good drainage.

Other lots in Greenwood are owned by John Duggan. Mr. Duggan is willing to let them out to people for raising food products.

People desiring to cultivate the ground should be willing to hire teams to plow it up, but, considering the difficulty in getting horses for this work, Mr. Duggan has even offered to lay all his teams off for a day and plow his lots for those who are to use them.

"I don't know of anything that will pay a bigger dividend than work on these city farms," Mr. Duggan says, "and if they are really in earnest about it, they are welcome to the use of my land, and to any assistance I can give them in the way of plowing it up."

The whole plan was laid before the local branch of the state public safety committee recently, and was endorsed by them. Mr. Norris pre-ented the proposition to them.

Many lots which have grown nothing but weeds for years will be planted this summer, present indications are. Thousands of packages of free seeds have been distributed here, and now that free ground is offered, there is no reason why food production should not be increased many times what it has been.

The increasing of the local food supply as a means of making the country better fitted to carry on a war with Germany is the general topic of discussion throughout the city and the announcement that Mr. Norris and Mr. Duggan have offered their vacant ground for the production of food crops will doubtless stir others to similar action. There are many vacant plots of ground throughout the city containing good, rich soil, up which fine crops could be raised. The local preparedness committee in conjunction with Assessor J. J. Donnelly will likely make an inventory of these and endeavor to get the owners to donate the use of them free. With a war on, the community realizes the necessity of food production and no one who undertook to farm these lots would be likely to neglect them.

It has been suggested that the Boy Scouts offer their services to clear off the land and make it ready for plowing.

HALL FOR GARAGE

Basketball Auditorium Taken Over by West Penn.

The West Penn will take over the old basketball hall some time this week, for a garage for the company automobiles and trucks. Remodelling is being completed now, and the West Penn expects to occupy the building within a few days.

The company garage is now situated in an old livery stable on Church place, near Arch street. The advantages of the new location, an official said this morning, are paved floors, larger quarters, and proximity to the West Side shops.

The West Penn has leased the old basketball hall from John Duggan, present owner. Among the improvements planned is the installation of a complete machine shop. There will be room in the old hall for 45 machines, but only 12 or 15 of the company's cars and trucks will use the place at present.

Granted Marriage License.

Charles David Hare and Mabel Hardy, a well known couple of Dunbar, were granted a license to wed in Uniontown yesterday. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hardy of Dunbar. Mr. Hare is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Hare, also of Dunbar, and is employed at the plant of the Semet Solvay.

MORE MEMBERS FOR RED CROSS

Patriotic Women Enroll in Relief Society to Do Their Bit in the War.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Red Cross Chapter was held Monday at the Carnegie Free Library with Dr. Katherine Wakefield, chairman of the chapter, presiding. While active work cannot be taken up by the chapter until necessary papers of instruction are received from Red Cross headquarters, the members are manifesting great interest in the work and last night quite a number of members turned in slips designating what division of the work they desired to receive instruction in. While the slips have not yet been assorted it is thought that the greatest number were for first aid work.

It is likely that auxiliaries to the Connellsville chapter will be formed, Vanderbilt and East Connellsville being among the towns that will possibly organize auxiliaries. The Connellsville chapter has at the present a membership of 175, a number of new members being received last night. A sum of $253 was turned in to the treasurer, Miss Ella Sauter, last night, making a total of $282, $29 having previously been collected for dues. Included in the $253 was a sum of over $100 collected among Connellsville persons for the benefit of the chapter by Mrs. S. R. Goldsmith and Mrs. E. B. Edie. The other was paid in as dues.

Seven new members to the executive committee were appointed as follows: Mrs. Charles Davidson, Mrs. F. E. Markell, Mrs. W. O. Schoonover, Miss Margaret Whiteman, Mrs. E. B. Edie, Mrs. H. J. Coll and Mrs. R. S. McKee.

A called meeting of the chapter will be announced later in The Courier.

Among the new members received last night were Mrs. A. M. Haines, Mrs. G. S. Connell Mrs. E. C. Higbee, Miss Helen Artzman, Mrs. Jennie Herbert, Miss Alice Herbert ,Mrs. W. F. Soisson, Mrs. T. B. Donnelly, Miss Genevieve Soisson, Mrs. Rose Pore, Miss Olive Pore Miss Sarah Moreland, Mrs William Beuscher, Mrs. W. R. Kenney, Miss Eleanor Kenney, Mrs. Emma C. Soisson, Miss Hilda Soisson, Miss Irene Soisson Mrs. Joseph Hild, Mrs. Frances May, Miss Mary Jane Mazzocco, Mrs. Logan Rush, Miss Effie Livingston, Miss Margaret Steganius, Mrs. W. N. Leche, Miss Margaret Burns, Mrs. J. F. Torrence, Mrs. G. A. Markle, Miss Martha Eaton, Mrs. C. W. Utts, Mrs. J. M. Reid, Miss Gertrude Reid, Miss Elizabeth Ankeny, Miss Sarah Rosenbloom, Miss Marion Shaw, Mrs. J. C. Whiteley, Miss Ella Heffley, Mrs. F. W Conway, Miss Rose McArdle, Miss Clara Belle Moyer, Miss Nettie Opperman, Mrs. J. C. Sherrard, Mrs. D. K. Dilworth, Mrs. V. J. Clark, Miss Nettie Ranker, Mrs. H. B. Pigman, Miss Margaret Pigman, Miss Grace Pigman, Miss Ida DeMuth, Mrs. W. D McGinnis, Miss Nannie Blackstone, Mrs. F. E. Kail, Mrs Nellie Totten, Miss Katharine O'Connor, Miss Charlotte Hay, Miss Alice Donegan, Miss Margaret Harrigan, Miss Ella Cunningham, Miss Clare Dixon, Miss Daise Ashe, Miss Mae Traynor, Miss Charlotte Laughlin, Mrs. James Morris, Miss B. Comisky, Miss Katharine Steganius, Miss Gertrude Dixon, Miss Marie Coyne, Miss Christine Donnelly, Mrs. Earle Vannatta, Mrs. S. S Snader, Miss Eleanor Horner, Miss Donelia Schoonover, Mrs. F. E. Markell, Mrs. Helen Knox, Mrs. Lawrence Schick, Miss Helen Carroll, Miss Lulu Carroll, Miss Ada Edwards, Mrs. James L. Cypher, Miss Anna Lowney, Miss Julia Lowney, Miss Rose O'Connor, Miss Alice O'Connor, Miss Mayme Maloy, Miss Anna Brunner, Miss Jean Armstrong, Miss Helen Armstrong, Miss Mae Lenhart, Miss Margaret Buskirk, Miss Katharine Porter, Mrs. J. D. Porter, Miss Gladys Humbert, Mrs. Anna C. Humbert, Mrs. R. V. Rending, Miss Ardis Edwards, Vanderbilt; Miss Loreen Cupp, Miss Marie Murphy, Miss Elizabeth Burkholder, Miss Stella Murphy, Miss Dora Cooley, Mrs. J. H. Wilkins and Mrs. Frank Crossland, the latter two of Dunbar.

THREATENS TO KILL

Man Attacks Wife, Then Menaces Policeman With Hatchet.

James O'Donnell, who, it is alleged, attacked his wife and threatened to kill her Saturday night, stood at the head of the staircase in his North Pittsburg street home when Patrolman J. Barnes arrived to arrest him, and threatened to fling a hatchet at him should he ascend. Barnes, however, braved the weapon and made the arrest.

O'Donnell was sentenced to six days in the lockup and at the expiration of that term he will be tried before Alderman Fred Munk on charges of assault and surety of the peace, preferred by Mrs. O'Donnell.

Unknown Man Run Down.

An unknown man was fatally injured Saturday night when he was run down at the county home, Greensburg, by a northbound West Penn street car. He died while on his way to the Greensburg hospital.

DIVORCE DECREES END MARITAL WOES OF THREE COUPLES

Ninety-Six Pound Wife Claims 250-Pound Hubby Got Mad When the Baby Cried.

JOBES FAMILY PARTED

South Connellsville Man Says His Spouse Beat Him and Otherwise Acted Like a "Little Wildcat;" Another Husband Alleged Desertion.

UNIONTOWN, April 17.—Mrs. Elizabeth M. Leckrone of Garwood, Redstone township, was granted a divorce in Common Pleas Court today from Benjamin F. Leckrone of Coolspring street, Uniontown. They were married March 3, 1910 at Uniontown. Mrs. Leckrone weighs 96 pounds, according to her testimony, and her husband weighs 250 pounds.

"Our baby came after we were married about 10 months," Mrs. Leckrone testified, "and naturally the child cried. This seemed to aggravate him and provoke him. When he would come in the house he would be mad and he thought I should be able to keep it from crying. I was not very well for some time after the baby came, and the first violence that he offered me was when he put me and the baby both out of the bedroom. He didn't want us to come in and told me we would have to go to another part of the house to stay."

"Was this just one time?" Mrs. Leckrone was asked.

"No," she replied, "this was continuous with him. Everything about the house had to be arranged to suit him. He put me out of the room, wouldn't let me come in the bedroom. The baby lived just one year and died. While the baby lived he slapped it in the face when it would be crying and caused the blood to run out of its mouth."

Henry S. Jobes, known as "Bud" Jobes, of Connellsville, was granted a divorce from Mrs Ella Jobes of South Connellsville. They were married March 9 1911 at Greensburg. They separated last September 23. Mrs. Jobes is now living at the home of her grandfather, John L. Sisley, in South Connellsville.

Jobes testified that his troubles with his wife began the day they were married, and continually became worse.

"What was her disposition toward you?" Jobes was asked

"Well she would start to talk to me about something, about this or that, or say what some one had said ,and I would say, 'Ella, I wouldn't do that if I were you," and the first thing I knew she would have me by the throat, and would commence to beat me."

"You mean she would grab you?"

"Yes, she would fly at me like a little wild cat."

Wendell E. Smith of 79 Nutt avenue, Uniontown, was granted a divorce from Mrs. Elsie M. Smith. They were married July 14, 1902 at Blairsville Intersection. Mr Smith who is a railroader and stonemason, testified that his wife deserted him on July 2, 1912 at Youngstown O. Mr. Smith testified that in the following August he saw his wife at the boarding house of James Hill, 34 Tangent street, Kansas City, Kas. "As soon as she heard I was there, she beat it," testified Smith.

PREPARE FOR CONCERT

Five Soloists on Military Band's Program April 30.

The fourth annual concert of the Connellsville Military Band, Monday night, April 30, at the Soisson theatre, gives promise of being the finest ever presented by the organization.

Four soloists have been engaged. James G. Borrelli of Pittsburg will play several clarinet numbers, and Charles Price, formerly of Detroit, will contribute a cornet solo. Miss Eleanor Savage, contralto, of Pittsburg, and Mrs. Helen Markell Knox of Connellsville, will be the vocalists. Miss Pearl Keck, pianist, will accompany the singers, and Mr. Borrelli.

The band itself is composed of 40 players. The sale of tickets is now on, and the reserved seat sale will open at the Soisson on April 28.

GIRL BADLY BURNED

Clothing Ignites at Open Grate, Before Which She is Sitting, Asleep.

Miss Ada Wingrove of Dawson, 19 years old, is in a critical condition at the Cottage State hospital as the result of burns suffered last Saturday night. Miss Wingrove had not been in the best of health and while sitting in a chair before an open grate at her home she fell asleep. Her clothing ignited and, becoming awakened, she ran to her room and by getting into bed and wrapping the bedding about her she succeeded in extinguishing the flames.

Her chest, back, arms and other parts of her body are badly burned and her recovery is uncertain. Miss Wingrove is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wingrove of Dawson.

Girl at Squires Home.

A daughter, Anna Jane Squires, born April 1, at the New Homeopathic Hospital, Pittsburg, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy F. Squires of Wilkinsburg. The new arrival is the first child in the family. Mrs. Squires, who was formerly Miss Jane Rodgers, resided in Connellsville at one time and has a number of friends here.

To Erect Fire Escapes.

Factory Inspector James S. Darr went over the Odd Fellows' temple on Pittsburg street Saturday and suggested the location of fire escapes. The outside exits will be both on the side and at the rear of the building. The contracts have been let.

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PUT PEACE ABOVE RIGHTEOUSNESS

Is the Mistake of Some Pacifists Rev. Terbush of Scottdale Tells the Members of His Congregation.

SCOTTDALE, April 16.—Dr. G. W. Terbush, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, preached the first of a series of five Sunday evening sermons on the present war crisis, last evening, the subject being "The Mistake of the Pacifist."

Dr. Terbush said in part: "The Christian's duty is to live at peace, but he may expect opposition, and in the eternal conflict between good and evil every Christian must be a warrior. The disciples found opposition. Did they quit the preaching of the gospel for the sake of peace, or did they encounter every storm of opposition and calmly go ahead with the battle? We are solicited every day to do evil. Our refusal may cause anger on the part of those who we may know well, who may be considered our friends. Are we to join them in their evil in order to preserve peace or are we enjoined to stand by righteousness no matter what conflict it may involve us in?'

"Do you realize that the word 'Pacifist' is a new word, that it is not found in the dictionaries? Its etymology is the same as 'peacemaker.' And Jesus said: 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.'

"There are two kinds of Pacifists. One is a class of individuals who do all in their power to maintain a state of peace, except to sacrifice righteousness; then they balk. In that they are following the Lord Jesus Christ, who claimed the right to prosecute his mission, although that mission meant the bitter opposition of the Jewish ecclesiastics. Did He surrender His mission for the sake of peace? No, He followed it to the very end, though it cost Him His life.

"The other kind of Pacifists will go to any length to maintain peace, no matter what the cost. They are willing to pay any price, even if it means that righteousness be trodden under foot, just so that it buys peace.

"William Jennings Bryan, I presume, the prince of Pacifists, it seems, belongs to that class, when he stepped from the Cabinet following the second note after the sinking of the Lusitania, saying he was sure if that note went to Germany it would involve the United States in war with the Imperial government. My spirit rose in wrath and indignation, for in my mind no Christian man has the right to put peace above righteousness. That is not the way God does.

"The war now going on is a conflict between the cruelest autocracy and the principles of democracy, and in my judgment, speaking for myself, for I am slow in telling you what you should do, I feel that you and I should utter this prayer:

"'God speed the right, and let us trust that out of this conflict may come a splendid and magnificent triumph of the people over all forms of autocratic government.'"

On next Sunday evening Dr. Terbush will preach on "The Responsibility for World Wide War."

Dr. Terbush preached from a pulpit which several weeks ago by order of the unanimous vote of the official board was draped in the Stars and Stripes.

CALLED TO COLORS

Butler Youths, Visiting Here, Summoned to Join 18th Regiment.

Charles and Harry Opperman of Butler, who with their brother, Eugene, and sister, Miss Grace Opperman, were visiting at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Gertrude Opperman, in East Francis avenue, were summoned home Friday night to join the Eighteenth Regiment, of which they are members. The young men were paying their first visit to their aunt's home here and had expected to remain over Sunday. Their visit was cut short by their regiment being ordered out for police duty.

Charles and Harry Opperman are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Opperman of Butler, and during their short visit here they made a number of friends. They are both single and were guests at the Columbus Club dance held Tuesday night in the Knights of Columbus hall in the Title & Trust building. Their brother and sister accompanied them home and a delegation of relatives and friends of the young men went with them to the train.

FLOWERS FOR FULTON

Two Bouquets for Boy Soldier Who Lost His Life Here.

The body of Stewart Fulton, the boy soldier who was killed on the railroad here while guarding the Baltimore & Ohio bridge at Sodom, was shipped to Philadelphia on the 2.45 Pennsylvania train Wednesday afternoon. About 15 of Fulton's comrades formed a guard of honor at the station and six of them acted as pallbearers.

Accompanying the remains were two floral tributes, one from Connellsville lodge of Moose, and the other from patriotic townspeople who contributed to a fund raised by The Courier during the morning. The placing of flowers on the coffin of the soldier lad was the only thing Connellsville could do to honor his memory. A card accompanying them read:

"A tribute to the memory of a soldier boy from residents of Connellsville."

HOLDUP WITH WRENCH.

Man Points Tool at Woman, Pretending It Is Revolver.

Randolph Robinette, who went into a West Crawford avenue restaurant Friday night, and pointed a Stilson wrench at the woman proprietor, pretending it was a revolver, was sentenced to 48 hours in the lockup after a police court hearing Saturday morning.

Robinette was charged with being drunk and disorderly.

SILK MILL WILL START NEXT WEEK

Some Machinery Installed and Forewoman Engaged: To Run Night and Day.

The factory of the Specialty Silk company will begin operations sometime next week if no delay is met in getting the machinery in place. The mill will not run full blast at the start but will add work as time passes.

Only enough machinery for a few employes has been set up yet but this will be sufficient until the work is taught to some. The silk goes through five machines before it is ready for shipping. One of these machines is on the third floor, two are on the second and two on the first floor. The silk is started at the top of the building and is then completed as it reaches the lower floor. There are many machines of the same type on each floor, and when all is set up the factory will run day and night, girl employes working during the day and men and boys at night. The output will be enormous when all the machinery is installed.

Mrs. Anna Dougherty, an experienced silk worker will take charge of the new employes when they first enter the mill and teach them how to wind the silk. William Fitz, who came here from Lancaster, is on hand to take charge of all the machinery. He has had 30 years experience in the silk making line.

The big motors which run the machines have been installed, the Watson-Flagg company of New York, the same firm that installed the lighting system, putting in the motors.

The silk which arrives at the factory is in skeins and it is sent away again in skeins, only being ready for use by the dyer. The first shipment of silk is expected some time this week.

There are many applications on hand at the offices of the silk mill and there will be no shortage in labor for some time.

TO AWARD MEDAL

Rensselaer Poly to Present Prizes to Local High School Student.

A gold medal is to be given this year to the male pupil of the Connellsville high school graduating class, who, in the opinion of Principal B. B. Smith, has made the best record in mathematics and the sciences. The medal will be presented by the Western Pennsylvania Alumni association of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Hoboken, N. Y.

The plan is to make the medal presentation an annual affair In a letter to Mr Smith, officials of the Rensselaer school offered to give the medal each year and Mr. Smith has accepted the offer.

The medal is perhaps the first prize award given in the local high school for special work in any branch. A scholarship to the University of Pittsburg is presented annually to the first honor pupil of the graduating class.

AGAINST SUNDAY SHOWS

P. O. S. of A. Passes Resolution Against Sabbath Movies.

At a well attended meeting of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, No. 841, Monday evening in Odd Fellows' hall, a resolution protesting against the opening of moving picture houses on Sunday, against gambling and all other vices, was unanimously passed. It was understood that a similar resolution will be passed by the Knights of Malta and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The meeting was patriotic in spirit, a number of addresses on patriotism being given. Creed Chorpenning spoke on "Loyalty to Our Country." Another talk was on "America, God, and Our Country." In addition to new business transacted, routine matters were taken up and disposed of.

PRINTERS NO SLACKERS

Nearly 600 Members of Typographical Union Fighting in Europe.

Twenty-seven members of the International Typographical Union have been killed and nearly 600 members of that body are now in active service with the Canadian expeditionary force, "somewhere in France," according to a letter received here today by C. B McCormick president of Connellsville Local No. 221, from Marsden G. Scott, president of the union. The union has paid mortuary benefits amounting to $7,675 to the mothers and widows of the 27 members killed, according to the communication.

Accompanying the letter is a booklet of unusual typographical excellence, which lists the union printers killed in the war.

SILCOX BLOCK SOLD

Edward Baer Buys North Pittsburg Street Property.

A deed was recorded last week transferring the block at the corner of Pittsburg and Peach streets from Albert S. Silcox to Edward Baer. The price is said to have been $30,000.

The property faces 83 feet on Pittsburg street and extends back 66 feet on Peach street. It is occupied by W R. Scott's grocery store, O. H. Silcox's meat market, Chiocosta's studio, Fitzsimmon's and Ford's stores. Two flats on the second floor are occupied by A. S. Silcox and Frank Gaa'.

Mr. Silcox retains the property on Peach street on which is the old Cooley home.

Heating For Crawford School.

Furnaces for the new Crawford school building on the West Side have arrived on the grounds, and employes of the Columbus Heating Company have begun the work, preparatory to their installation.

Working On Improvements.

Good progress is being made on the improvements to the Cottage State hospital.

The Grim Reaper

HENRY BAILEY.

Henry Bailey, 54 years old, lampman for the H. C. Frick Coke company at Lemont, died suddenly Sunday morning while on duty. Funeral from the family residence Wednesday morning at 7.30 o'clock. The funeral party left at 8 o'clock on a special street car for Connellsville where services will be held at 9 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church. Requiem high mass was celebrated Funeral Director J. L. Stader will have charge of the funeral. Mr. Bailey is survived by his widow and the following children: Walter, John and Henry Bailey, at home; two brothers, Edward and John Bailey; one sister, Mrs. Catherine Burns, and two grandchildren, Edward and Anna Bailey.

MRS. MARGARET WRIGHT.

Mrs. Margaret Wright, 95 years old, one of the oldest inmates of the G. A. R. home at Hawkins station, died Wednesday of pneumonia. Mrs. Wright was born near South Connellsville and spent the greater part of her life in Connellsville. Her maiden name was Miss Margaret Hart. She was twice married. Prior to going to the G. A. R. home, about six years ago, she spent about eight months with her granddaughter, Mrs. Myrtle Boyd of Greenwood.

STEVE GREGOR.

Steve Gregor, one year old, the infant son of John and Susie Gregor, died Saturday afternoon at the family residence at Leisenring No. 2 following an illness of spinal meningitis.

MRS. CAROLINE RICHTER.

Mrs. Caroline Richter of Tenth street, West Side, died Monday at the Cottage State Hospital, following an operation She was admitted to the hospital Sunday night. Funeral Director J. E. Sims took charge of the body.

HERBERT MURRAY.

Herbert Murray, the one month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Murray, died Sunday at the family residence at Bethelboro.

WILLIAM H. FROST.

William H. Frost, 82 years old, died Sunday afternoon at the home of his son, Charles Frost, near Herbert works, following a lingering illness. Two sons, Charles Front and Alfred Frost and one sister, Mrs. Eliza Rush of Dawson, survive.

MRS. SARAH MARGARDT RIZER.

Mrs. Sarah Margaret Rizer, wife of William P. Rizer of Cumberland, and a sister of Mrs. A. B. Fleming of South Connellsville, died Friday afternoon in the Western Maryland hospital, Cumberland.

MADELINE YOUNKIN.

Madeline Younkin, 13 months old, daughter of Arthur and Anna Lancaster Youkin, died Monday morning at the home of her parents at Dunbar. Funeral Wednesday morning at 8.30 o'clock from the house and at 9 o'clock requiem high mass will be celebrated at St. Aloysius Catholic church, by Rev. Father J. P. Brennen. The pallbearers and flower girls will be Bernadette Barrett, Mary McCusker, Nellie Higgins, Rose McGivern, Roslyn Prinker, Virginia McGivern, Elizabeth Miller and Mary Doyle. Interment in New St. Aloysius cemetery at Dunbar.

HARRY DAVID ANSELL.

Harry David Ansell, 37 years old, for the past two years manager of the Imp theatre in Uniontown, died Monday afternoon following a several days' illness.

MRS RACHEL SWANK.

Mrs. Rachel Swank, 88 years old, died Tuesday morning at 5 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Daniel Worry, 321 East Crawford avenue. Deceased was born February 14, 1828, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs David Watters. Her death was caused by the infirmities of old age.

WILLIAM A. BRYSON.

William A. Bryson, 66 years old one of the best known residents of Dunbar, died Tuesday at 5 o'clock at the family residence on Bryson Hill, Dunbar. Funeral Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. H. L. Humbert, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating. Deceased was a son of the late Andrew Bryson, who was one of the pioneer residents of Dunbar. He is survived by three children, Miss Carrie Bryson at home; Mrs. George Sleter of Barberton, O., and John Bryson of Harmedsville. Three sisters, Mrs. William Holsing, Mrs. Smith Wortman, Mrs. Sururia Martin, one brother, Adam Bryson, all of Dunbar, and one granddaughter also survive Mrs Bryson died 34 years ago. Mrs. Nancy Patterson, a sister of Mr. Bryson, died about a month ago at her home at Dunbar.

MRS SARAH ELIZABETH LEONARD

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Leonard, 51 years old, died Wednesday shortly before midnight at her home at Braddock following a lingering illness. Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence with interment in Hill Grove cemetery. Deceased was born at Springfield, August 17, 1865, a daughter of the late Jeremiah and Jane Warwick Johnston. Her husband, Samuel E. Leonard, was killed April 16, 1912 while working on the construction of the city federal building. Mrs. Leonard is survived by seven children, a son, Charles, being a patient at the Cottage State Hospital, having had his right leg amputated as the result of an infection His condition was critical up until a few days ago. Mrs. Harry Showman of Connellsville is a daughter of the deceased.

WILLIAM WESSEL.

The body of William Wessel, who died in St Joseph's Hospital, Baltimore, was shipped to Connellsville and removed by Funeral Director Charles C Mitchell to the Wessel home in Chestnut street, from which place the funeral took place Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. B. Burgess, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, will officiate. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

DAVID BIXLER.

David Bixler, 25 years old, son of Theodore and Laura Bixler, died Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock at his home in Broad Ford. The funeral was held Friday afternoon at 2.30 at the Hickory Square Methodist Protestant church, with Rev. Barnes, the pastor, and Rev. T. M. Gladden of Dunbar in charge. Interment will be private.

MRS. E. A. SHANABERGER.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Shanaberger of Uniontown, died Wednesday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Horne in Pittsburg, following an operation performed at the Mercy hospital, Pittsburg. Mrs. Shanaberger was the mother-in-law of Mrs. Robert H. Shanaberger of Uniontown, formerly Miss Jane Ray of Connellsville.

STEPHEN WOLFE.

Stephen Wolfe, five year old son of George Wolfe of Juniata, died Thursday night at 10 at the family residence following a brief illness of cerebro meningitis. Interment was made Friday afternoon in the Holy Trinity cemetery. The child's mother died several weeks ago.

MRS. SARAH MANKIN.

Mrs. Sarah Mankin, a well known resident of Dunbar, died Thursday afternoon following a lingering illness. Her husband and two children survive. Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist Protestant Church at Dunbar.

RAY C. STICKEL.

Ray C. Stickel, aged 19 years, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stickel, at Perryopolis, at 6.10 o'clock Friday evening, April 13, 1917, following a lingering illness of eight weeks. Mr. Stickel was the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stickel and was widely known and very popular among the younger people of the section of the county in which he lived. He had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church for eight years and also was a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. He was active in the work of his church and his lodge and his death comes as a distinct shock to a wide circle of intimate friends and acquaintances whose sympathy goes out to the bereaved family. The deceased was a graduate of the Perry high school. He is survived by his parents and one brother, Charles Stickel, of Perryopolis. Funeral at the Methodist Episcopal church at Perryopolis at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. W. J. Law, officiating. Services in charge of Jr. O. U. A. M. No. 495.

JOHN B. SAYRES.

John B. Sayres, aged 60, a well known resident of Perry township, died at his home Saturday after only a few days' illness. A stroke of paralysis brought about his death. Deceased leaves a widow, Mrs. Margaret Sayres, three sons, Harry and Herbert, at home; Freedman of South Connellsville; two daughters, Mrs. Carl Long of Akron, O., and Mrs. Roenna Hutton of Cawohoga, O. He is also survived by two brothers, Harry S. Sayres and James Sayres of Cawohogo, O. Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence and from the Christian Church at Perryopolis at 3 o'clock with Rev. C. G. Huffer in charge. Interment in Mount Washington cemetery.

CAPT. A. M. POUNDSTONE.

Captain A. M. Poundstone, one of the best known residents of Buchhannon, W. Va., and father of Mrs. Frank W. Wright of this city, died Saturday morning at 2 o'clock at his home. Mr. Poundstone had been failing in health for the past five years. Deceased spent virtually all his life in Buckhannon and was known in Connellsville, having frequently visited at the Wright home in Will's road. Mrs. Wright was with her father when death came. In addition to his widow and daughter, Mrs. Wright, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. C. L. Barlow, of Buckhannon, W. Va., who at the present is in a hospital in Baltimore, and one son, Commander Homer Poundstone, of United States Navy, who is in Los Angeles, Cal., where he spent the winter.

MICHAEL BONNING.

Michael Bonning, 52 years old, died Friday night at 11 o'clock at the Cottage State hospital. He was admitted to the hospital for medical treatment and later pneumonia developed and resulted in his death. The body was removed to the home of a son-in-law, Paul Bartholomew, at 316 Connell avenue, from which place the funeral took place Monday morning at 8.30 o'clock. Requiem high mass being celebrated at 9 o'clock at the Immaculate Conception church. Interment in St. Joseph's cemetery. Deceased was born in Germany and in addition to his widow he is survived by the following children: Mrs. Paul Bartholomew, of Connellsville; Mrs. Ellis Grocer, John and Catherine Bonning, of Mount Pleasant, and Mrs. William Smith, of Youngwood.

VOLUNTEERS ONLY

Telegram from McCain Says Recruits Will Serve During War.

The following telegram, making clear that those who enlist now will be volunteers, serving only for the term of the war, has been received by Corporal H. E. Fellows at Uniontown, in charge of army recruiting in Fayette county:

"It is the policy of the war department to discharge from service at the termination of the emergency all men who have enlisted in the regular army since the declaration of war, or who now enlist.

"This policy also applies to the national guard."

The telegram is signed by Adjutant General McCain of the army.

DUTIES OF LOCAL PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE OUTLINED IN LETTER FROM STATE CHAIRMAN PEPPER

Membership to be Increased; Inventory of Motor Cars and Canvass of Owners as to Their Willingness to Devote Cars to the Government's Use, is Planned; Investigation of Domestic Conditions to Ascertain if Enlistment of Wage Earners Would Work a Hardship, Is Another Branch of the Work.

FINANCING OF WORK UP TO THE COMMITTEE

In a letter forwarded to the local preparedness committee, which is composed of F. W. Wright, E. T. Norton and Charles Davidson, George Wharton Pepper of Philadelphia, state chairman, outlines the work that local committees will be required to perform to mobilize the resources of the commonwealth for war with Germany.

Each local committee is to be increased in membership and a secretary who will probably give all his time to the work is to be employed. The secretary will be paid for his services if the appropriation will warrant it; but the financing of the local committee's work, otherwise, must be borne by the communities in which they work.

An inventory of motor car owners is to be taken and owners of such vehicles are to be canvassed as to their willingness to give the use of their cars to the government, either unconditionally or on terms. Investigation of domestic conditions so as to ascertain whether enlistment of an important wage-earner will work a hardship is another branch of the committee's activities.

Mr. Pepper sets forth the following tentative conclusions as to the committee's work:

1.—*The Local Committees can be most useful in the work of Departments 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.* Reference is made to the enclosed plan of organization.

2.—In the Division of Relief, it is desirable that each Local Committee should keep in view the following activities.

In the Department of Sanitation & Medicine, co-operative relations should be established with any local chapters of the American Red Cross. If no such chapter exists, the facts should be reported to Headquarters in order that steps may be taken to organize one.

In the Department of Civic Relief:

(1).—The investigation of all cases in which hardship results from the enlistment of the important wage-earner of the family.

(2).—The investigation of all other social or economic consequences of war conditons, especially with reference to moral problems incident to the location of camps or bodies of troops in the Committee's territory.

(3).—It is best to limit activity at present to an investigation and local study of these problems. Preventive and remedial plans will be made for uniform application throughout the State.

3.—Division of Equipment & Supply.

In the Department of Food Supply Local Committees may expect early advices respecting suggested methods of minimizing the dangers of shortage. A Local Committee can do much useful work in the preliminary ascertainment of agricultural and labor conditions in its territory and the probability of increasing cultivated areas during the coming season. Where seed potatoes and other important products are being withheld from use to secure unreasonably high prices, public opinion should be directed to the fact and an effort made to check such an unpatriotic tendency.

In the Departments of Materials and Plants Local Committees will do well to await central action before undertaking inventories or any simiar investigation. Uniformity of method is necessary if confusion and waste are to be prevented.

In the Department of Motors, the Director and his associates are working on a plan to secure through local committees not only a motor inventory but also pledges by motor owners to give the use of their cars to the Government, either unconditionally or upon terms. It will be well to await the receipt of uniform pledge blanks before doing much work in this field.

4.—Division of Service.

In this Division an important decision must be made as soon as Congress determines the form of Army bill under which national defense is to be planned. Upon this may depend the question whether or not to take a State-wide census or to inaugurate a volunteer enrollment of all persons ready for service in any form.

In the Department of Military & Naval Service Local Committees are requested to notify Headquarters whether they are willing to undertake recruiting work for the Army, the Navy and the National Guard. If so, instructions and information will be sent as soon as it proves possible to get authoritative data from Washington.

In the Department of Guards, Police and Inspection Local Committees are requested to report promptly to Headquarters what points in their territory should, in their judgment, be guarded, what provision (if any) has been made by the Government to this end, what steps are deemed necessary towards the formation of a Home Guard and what occasion, if any, there is to watch suspected persons or places. The Local Committee in Philadelphia have been working out a careful and effective plan for organizing and mobilizing a Home Defense Reserve. I enclose herewith a leaflet showing the plan of organization. An enrollment card and printed statement of the mobilization feature of the plan is in course of preparation and will be sent you in a few days. These plans have been prepared in consultation with Major Groome of the State Police. It is highly desirable that a single form or organizaton should be adopted throughout the Commonwealth, as it might become necessary to mobilize all Home Defense Reserves and cause them to act as a unit.

5.—Finances.

Until the Legislature determines what sums, if any, to appropriate for public safety it is premature to consider in detail what allowances can be made to local committees to cover expenses. It is to be remembered, however, that any appropriation made must be regarded as a two-year allowance; that central expenses and the cost of making an industrial survey and census must necessarily be very heavy; and that the number of Local Committees is likely to be so large that the amount available for financing any one of them would in any event be relatively small. All effort will be made if the appropriation warrants it, to provide the salary of a secretary who can give all or the greater part of his time to the work, and also to provide stationery and postage. Beyond this, however, it is probable that the Local Committees will have to do their own financing and it is hoped that their plans will all be laid with this probability in mind.

6.—Branches of Local Committees.

It may happen in some instances that a local committee will be appointed by the Governor for a large political unit (a county, for example) and that several smaller groups will be formed at points within the territory. It is hoped that these will be organized as branches of the local committee and that they will report to it. It will greatly simplify the problem at Headquarters if direct communication can be limited to correspondence with one representative group in each district.

It will be appreciated that the State Executive Committee are attempting an enormous piece of administrative work on short notice and without previously prepared adequate machinery. Constructive suggestions respecting methods of organization and the relationships with Local Committees will be much appreciated.

FLAG BOY SAVED UP TO BUY IS STOLEN

Little Jackie Medritz, who saved his pennies for several weeks to purchase a flag, and raised it above his Francis avenue home last Friday, was a surprised and disappointed boy when he woke up Saturday morning and found that his banner had been stolen. Jackie thinks it was certainly no gentleman who removed that flag, so difficult for him to obtain.

FATHER BURNS ADVISES JOINING RED CROSS

Rev. John T. Burns, rector of the Immaculate Conception Church Sunday urged his people to join the Red Cross Chapter, organized here last Monday night.

YOUNG MEN URGED NOT TO BE "SLACKERS"

At a patriotic meeting in the First Presbyterian Church at the close of the evening service Sunday, Rev. J. L. Proudfit severely arraigned the "slacker."

Rev. C. C. Buckner, pastor of the Christian Church, declared Sunday morning it was a great thing for the United States to be entering the conflict for the sake of humanity and he prayed for its success.

PROTEST SUNDAY SHOWS

Jr. O. U. A. M. Passes Resolution Against Sabbath Opening.

Magic Council No. 166, Jr. O. U. A. M., at a special session Friday evening in Markell hall, passed a resolution protesting against the opening of the moving picture theatres on Sunday. Members of the order went on record as being opposed to Sunday shows for any purpose.

Aside from this, no business was transacted, the session being in the nature of a "get-together" meeting. The address of welcome was delivered by R. R. Whipkey, and E. W. Loyd spoke on "America and the Vital Prophecy." Miss Imogene Rhodes gave readings and S. T. Ervin a recitation. There were also talks by John Dye and J. H. Phillippi. Evans' orchestra and the Baltimore & Ohio Jr. O. U. A. M. band furnished music for the occasion. Refreshments were served. About 125 were present.

STRUCK BY AUTO

Woman Slightly Injured When Driver Loses Control.

Mrs. C. L. Wright was slightly injured Wednesday when she was struck by a Ford automobile driven by Freeman Sayres. The accident occurred at the corner of Pittsburg and Apple streets. Mrs. Wright, those who were nearby at the time say, was on the Apple street pavement, near the front window of McCrory's store. Sayers jumped into his car, which had been parked on Pittsburg street, and, starting it, lost control, swerving across to where Mrs. Wright was standing.

The woman was precipitated against the wall of the McCrory building. She was badly shaken up, however, and suffered bruises on her head.

VETERANS HERE

Commander of State Department of G. A. R. and Staff Here.

Dr. L. F. Arensberg, commander of the Department of Pennsylvania of the G. A. R., and his staff were here a short while Wednesday on their way to Meyersdale where they will visit the Grand Army post there. Tomorrow the veterans will visit the post at Somerset.

All are connected with the Will F. Stewart Post, No 180, G. A. R., of Uniontown. In the party were A. J. Brown, Commander of the Uniontown post, Comrade E. K. Snyder, chief staff for L. F. Arensberg; Comrade Kennedy, chief mustering officer on the staff, and A. I. Ellis an aide-de-camp.

Deeds Recorded.

A deed for the transfer of a lot fronting 80 feet in Highland avenue from Mary M. Hugus to Dave Cohen, for $4,000, has been recorded. Another shows the sale of a lot fronting in Tenth street by Milton J. Sloppy to John J. Davis, for $410.

ONLY MINOR BILLS PASS LEGISLATURE IN THE PAST WEEK

House Puts Through But One and Senate Not Many More; Lawmakers Impatient.

STATE POLICE INCREASED

Governor Brumbaugh Promptly Signs the Measure; Quarrel Over Disbursement of State Preparedness Appropriation Has Not Yet Been Settled.

HARRISBURG, April 16.—Governor Brumbaugh surprised both the friends of the state police bill and its foes also by the promptness with which he signed the measure Thursday. The House passed this Buckman bill Monday evening by a vote of 125 to 56. The only opponents of the measure who had anything to say on the floor of the House were Maurer of Berks and Fowler of Lackawanna. Powell of Luzerne, once a rabid opponent of the proposition, declared that after he was elected county detective of his home county what he then learned of the state police methods had converted him.

The state police force was organized in 1905. At every session since that year there has been an effort to increase the force.

The legislative week closed with no action taken in the matter of the $2,000,000 appropriation for preparedness askod for by the state committee of public safety. The executive and the Senate leaders are deadlocked on the matter of the channels through which the money should be expended. The original measure provided that the money should be placed at the disposal of the governor and spent at his discretion. Senate leaders who have been hostile to the administration, under the leadership of Senators Crow, Sproul, McNichol and C. A. Snyder, presented a counter proposition, insisting that all disbursements be made by a board composed of the governor, the state treasurer, the lieutenant governor and the auditor general. Replying to this proposition the governor declared that he considered a board composed of the governor, the lieutenant governor and the state treasurer a proper body, but that since the auditor general would be required to pass upon the expenditures he should not be placed in the position of being compelled to approve of expenditures he helped authorize. The business of the auditor general, said the governor, was to audit. The governor sent a communication to both the house and senate setting forth his views, and this letter has been referred to the appropriations committees of both houses. The quarrel has lasted two weeks. In the meantime, a majority of the other states in the union have been making appropriations.

The legislature simply marked time during the week. In the house only one bill was passed finally—that increasing the state police force. Only measures of minor importance passed the senate. The house has been accumulating a heavy third reading calendar, but only forenoon sessions were held during the week. Country members are becoming impatient at what they term the dilatory tactics. Under the leadership of Representative Lewis of Punxsutawney 60 have already signed a paper declaring for an adjournment by May 24. The Penrose leaders are said to favor a recess.

The joint house and senate appropriations committees continued hearings during the week and managed to stir up considerable excitement Wednesday, when, after an afternoon of controversy, it issued a subpoena requiring the attendance before it of Auditor General Powell. The subpoena is made returnable next Tuesday at 2 o'clock. The attendance of Powell is desired, the committee states, in order that the use made of the deficiency appropriation that passed the legislature may be cleared up. Powell is having an audit company check up his office records, preparatory to handing over the books to Senator Charles A. Snyder, who will become auditor general May 31. Powell denies that the appropriations committee is empowered to issue subpoenas and says that the deficiency appropriation authorized him to employ extra clerks at his discretion. He also asserts that the books in the auditor general's office have never been checked up, and that his balance will be the first one ever attained as a result of the investigation of a force of expert accountants.

The department of agriculture was also on the rack during the week. The appropriations committees seem to favor the discontinuance of farm institutes and farm expert service rendered by the state agricultural department, placing that work in the hands of the county agents, who are under the management of State College through the terms of the Smith-Lever bill, by virtue of which the federal governments pays half the cost of maintaining the agents. Assemblyman Whittaker of Delaware county this week introduced a bill asking the power of appointing a secretary of agriculture away from the governor and putting it in the hands of the commission of agriculture.

Although the governor signed the bill increasing the number of state police he vetoed the resolution directing that state police be stationed at the capitol building. He took the ground that it was not the proper part of the legislature to direct the executive officers of the state in such matters. He had already ordered that a detail of the state police be brought here for special service around the capital.

Originally framed as a non-partisan repealer, the Lynch bill which swept through the senate without opposition has turned up in the house second reading calendar, much to the surprise of a number of Pittsburg and Scranton members of the house. The measure has been changed so that it applies only "to nominations and elections of elective officers in cities nonpartisan judicial elections and primaries. The bill is of unusual interest in Pittsburg, where attention is centering upon the coming municipal contest.

The joint resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of the senate and house to investigate the operation of civil service laws in Philadelphia, which stirred up a scrap in the house when it passed second reading, will be on the third reading calendar in the house Monday evening. It has been amended so as to provide that the committee report May 15, instead of April 15.

Opponents of Assemblyman William Davis' (Cambria) bill providing that the constitution be changed so as to reduce the house membership from 207 to 100, or two members to each senatorial district, declare that if the proposition were ratified by the people it would open up wide possibilities in the way of gerrymandering. It is claimed that such an amendment would permit the formation of "shoe string districts," and that representatives might carve out districts which they could hold against all attacks.

The week saw the usual number of committees from various parts of the state in audience with Frank Black, highway commissioner. There is great demand for state highway construction, but when the appropriations committees are through with their work and let the highway department in on the secret of how much money there will be for roads it will be found that the districts which will get the most new work in 1917 and 1918 are those districts which are willing to go 50-50 with the highway department. M. E. EMERSON.

FRIDAY, 13TH

Almost Proves a Hoodoo for a Scottdale Couple Who Set Out to Wed.

Friday the 13th and the absence of a minister from town could not sway William F. Stoner and Miss Sara J. Browning of Scottdale from their purpose—matrimony—yesterday. The couple were determined to be joined in wedlock. "If there is going to be war," Mr. Stoner said, "I want to be married before I go to war." So married they were, eventually.

At 7 o'clock in the morning of the unluckiest day, Mr. Stoner and Miss Browning presented themselves at the parsonage of Rev. William J. Hamilton. Rev. Hamilton had gone out to hold revival services, they were told, but an effort would be made to get him. While the minister's family was trying to get word to him, the prospective bride and bridegroom, losing no time, departed for Greensburg, where they secured a marriage license.

At 10 o'clock they returned but the minister had not yet been located. Rev. Hamilton finally arrived at 2 o'clock, and the ceremony was performed.

While the couple were awaiting the minister the bride was asked if she were not afraid to get married on Friday the 13th. "If I never have any more trouble than I have had today," she answered, "married life won't be so bad."

Mr. Stoner is a transport agent on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad between Connellsville and Pittsburg.

TO PROTECT ALIENS

Sheriff Issues Proclamation Guaranteeing Life and Property Rights.

Alien residents, natives of a country with which the United States is now at war, are guaranteed protection of life and property by Fayette county officials in a proclamation issued yesterday by Sheriff Thomas L. Howard. The promise of protection is given, under condition that the aliens behave themselves properly. In his proclamation Sheriff Howard appoints each resident of the county a committee of one to prevent alien residents from mistreatment by "irresponsible individuals or one who has allowed his passions to get the better of his good judgment."

Aliens, however, are cautioned against making remarks which may incite violence at the hands of United States citizens, and while all enemies who abide by this ruling and obey all the other laws of the country will be free from molestation all who violate "this mandate will be promptly dealt with in accordance with law."

Mayor Rockwell Marietta of Connellsville recently issued a proclamation to foreign residents here, guaranteeing that there would be no confiscation of property or personal injury to alien residents of the city, as long as they conducted themselves properly.

PLAN FIELD MEET

Connellsville High School Included In Entrants.

The executive committee of the Fayette County High School Field Track association met in Uniontown Saturday to make plans for the year's meet, which will be held at Uniontown on May 26. The schools of the county have been divided into two classes this year, the first division consisting of six senior schools, Connellsville, Uniontown, Dunbar township, North Union township, German township, and South Brownsville, and the second division being composed of the smaller schools. A trophy will be given to the leading team of each division. Athletes from both divisions, however, will compete for the medals. In each event, a gold, silver, and bronze medal will be awarded. Last year there were only two prizes for each event.

Those attending this morning's meeting were: B. B. Smith, Connellsville; C. N. McCune, Uniontown; W. H. Tietbohl, Dunbar township; Edward Hamer, Fayette City; and Paul E. Gates, South Brownsville.

With the Eighteenth.

Walter Richey of the West Side, is a mounted orderly in the Eighteenth regiment of Pittsburg, called out on Thursday.

4-YEAR-OLD LAD, WIELDING POKER, INJURES BROTHER

Joseph Cossel, Aged 10, Hurt When Tiny Brother Hurls Iron Missile at Him.

MANY OTHER ACCIDENTS

Samuel Sutton, 24 Years Old, and Colored, Run Down by a B. & O. Train; George Starr of Beachley, Cut in Abdomen by a Knife Slashing.

When his brother attempted to keep him from going out of the house Sunday, Nicholas Cossel of Morgan, four years old, picked up a poker and struck his brother, Joseph Cossel, 10 years old, in the right eye. The child, it is said, aimed at another brother, but Joseph was the victim.

The injured boy was brought to the Cottage State Hospital where an examination of the eye will be made to determine the extent of the injuries. Mr. and Mrs. Cossel were away from home when the accident occurred.

COLORED MAN RUN DOWN BY TRAIN; FOOT CRUSHED

Samuel Sutton of Arlington, Va., 24 years old and colored, was run down by a Baltimore & Ohio train Saturday night. He was brought to the hospital where it was discovered that the right foot was so badly mashed that amputation was necessary. Sutton was a trespasser.

FIGHT AT BEACHLEY ENDS IN STABBING

George Starr of Beachley, Somerset county, 61 years old, is at the Cottage State Hospital with a stab wound of the abdomen inflicted Sunday by Harry Kimbal, a Horwat, residing at Anspach, Pa. According to Starr's statement he had gone to the home of Henry Chitester at Beachley and while there Kimbal came in and asked Chitester for a drink. This Chitester refused to do. In the meantime Starr left the Chitester home, and Kimbal followed him out, and after accusing him of being the cause of Chitester refusing him any more drink, Kimbal committed the stabbing.

Starr was brought to Connellsville and admitted to the hospital and according to hospital authorities his condition is not serious. Kimbal was caught before he made his escape.

TWO INJURED AS RESULT OF MT. BRADDOCK SCRAP

As the result of an argument which took place Sunday afternoon about 3.30 o'clock at Mount Braddock, Walter Harris has two flesh wounds of the left arm, and Bob Harris is lodged in the Uniontown jail, charged with the shooting. Both men are colored. It is alleged that five shots were fired from a 32 calibre revolver.

Harris came to Connellsville where he received medical treatment. Smith was arrested by Officer A. D. Crutchman.

JAMIESON HELD

Well Known Racing Man is Arrested on Killing Charge.

Fred Jamieson, one of the best known racers, and who has a string of horses operating on tracks throughout the country, has been arrested at Washington, Pa., in connection with the death of Frank M. Wolf, 60 years old, who had charge of the race track boarding house there. Wolf died Friday evening as a result of a stab wound in the left thigh, which cut a large vein and an artery, causing him to bleed to death.

According to the police, Jamieson went to the track last evening to investigate a complaint made by the men employed there, that they were not being fed properly by Wolf. He and Wolf engaged in an argument and it is alleged that Wolf drew a penknife. In the struggle that followed Wolf was cut.

Jamieson is well known through here, having raced for several years on the Dawson track. He attended both the Fayette county fairs with his horses and was entered in most all the events.

BOYS DISCHARGED

Suspected of Theft of Two Valuable Watches.

Ralph Frayer and Harry Findley, each about 14 years old, were arraigned before Alderman Fred Munk Wednesday evening on Charges of larceny, were released, and the apprehension of some unknown parties for the crime was recommended.

Two valuable watches are alleged to have been stolen. One, worth $65, was taken from a boarder at Findley's home in Mount Pleasant. The other disappeared from Frayer's father's room at his home here. Neither watch has been recovered. The boys were arrested Tuesday in a local theatre by Patrolman Charles Shipley, and lodged in the city lockup until their release last night.

NEWLYWEDS BACK.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Stader Return From Honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Stader arrived home Friday night from a brief honey moon trip to New York and Philadelphia. They spent the night at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stader in Crawford avenue.

The couple were married Saturday afternoon, March 31, at 5 o'clock at St. John's Catholic Church in Philadelphia by Rev. Father Lallou. The bride before her marriage was Miss Josephine Munk.

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SAYS AMERICA MUST BE RE-MADE

Startling Statements Made by Speakers at "Men and Millions" Meeting Here.

"Americans have been challenged to acknowledge their debt to the world and are dared to say they will not pay it."

"We must re-make America that America may re-make the world."

"Had we been as anxious and as ready to send out missionaries as we are now ready to fight, the war would not have sodden the soil of Europe with the blood of millions of men."

"The whole world looks to America to establish democracy, righteousness, peace, justice and temperance among the warring, frenzied nations of the earth."

These were some of the striking and significant passages from the addresses given by members of the "Men and Millions" movement team in the Christian Church last Sunday when the objects of this endeavor were set forth by the five specialists.

Rev. Abram E. Corey, one of the secretaries, and a former missionary to China, characterized the present as "the gravest hour since time began. Forces are at work for good or evil according as Christian America may throw the weight of its influence in the balance. The same force which has wrought in Russia is working in every nation of Europe. Christian or non-Christian. Religion will not fail; it cannot fail if America awakens from its selfishness and comfortableness. The world has challenged us to acknowledge our debt to the world and we are dared to pay it."

Dr. Royal J. Dye, who has been a medical missionary at Bolengi, Africa, for 15 years, spoke of the needs of the 50,000,000 savages of the Dark Continent.

Quoting the opening stanzas of W. D. Nesbit's poem, "Your Flag and My Flag," Rev. W. R. Warren, pastor of the Connellsville church when the present structure was erected 20 years ago, said: "The power of your flag and my flag is the power of the Christian character back of it. The strength of the flag is the strength of the Christian character back of it. America has a tremendous task before it. America must be wholly Christian. We must make our America over that America may make the world over."

Rev. T. E. Crambletl, president of Bethany college, presented the needs of the educational institutions, referring to the church as "the army of God to conquer the world for Christ. The missionaries form its firing line and the colleges are its West Point for the training of the leaders.

Rev. Raymond H. Miller of Cincinnati, one of the secretaries, presented a plea for the enlistment of young men and women as Christian workers.

STATE TO PLANT OWN FOOD CROPS

Farmers and Seedsmen Must Report on All Excess Quantities of Seeds.

HARRISBURG, April 14.—Charles E. Patton, state secretary of agriculture, today called upon farmers and seedsmen of the state to at once inform the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture of their holdings of seed potatoes, navy bean seed and other seeds and to send to him all details of any excess that may be available and at what prices.

Several farms have been offered to the department for use during the year.

These will be farmed with a view of raising the crops for which the government is now calling from this state.

Sues for $10,000.

Alleging that Isaac Franks, truant officer of Luzerne township stated that she had refused to display the American flag and declined to permit her pupils to march under it, Miss Anna Bleilevens, a teacher, Saturday sued Franks for $10,000 for defamation of character.

Licensed to Wed.

William O'Connor and Emily Haas of Mount Pleasant; Elmer C. Rosensteel of New Stanton and Effie Overly of Scottdale; William H. Sleighter and Ruth Snyder, both of Scottdale, were granted marriage licenses in Greensburg yesterday.

Deed Recorded.

A deed recorded in Uniontown shows the transfer of a lot in Connellsville township, fronting 140 feet in Purdy street, from Lida H. Sparks and others to Grant Dull; consideration $775.

SOLDIERS GRATEFUL FOR FLOWERS SENT TO DEAD COMRADE

The Courier has received the following letter:

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.,
Headquarters April 12, '17.
Detachment Co. B.

From Commanding Officer, Co. B, Third Pennsylvania Infantry, to Courier Company.

Subject, Vote of Thanks.

1.—The officers and men of Company B, Third Pennsylvania Infantry extend to The Courier a vote of thanks for flowers sent to Stewart Fulton, one of their comrades who was killed while in the line of duty.

2.—Miss Stewart, aunt of our deceased comrade, also asks that her thanks be extended to you.

Signed,
G. L. HAYMAN,
Commanding Detachment.

BOYS CARRY FLAG POLE A LONG WAY

Wheeler Lads Tote Heavy Tree From Fayette and Then Have Flag Raising.

Speaking of patriotism, the children of Wheeler surely deserve a lot of credit for their strenuous efforts to secure a flag pole and fly "Old Glory" to the breeze. After taking up a collection and securing enough money to purchase a 5x8 flag some of the boys went to Fayette and secured a long thin tree. The task of cutting down this tree, stripping it of branches and carrying it to Wheeler was one that would try the patriotism of huskier youths than those who finally transported the tree to a vacant lot near the trolley station and there set it up to bear the Stars and Stripes. Then the flag was raised. The Wheeler residents are very proud of it.

Among the lads who helped get the pole and the money for the flag were Israel Getz, Dominick, Nick and Frank Henox, Charles Madison, James Mitts, George Barton, George Kerr, John Thomas, Earl Jaynes, Lester Jaynes and Elmer Rosensteel. None of them is over 15.

The flag-raising was conducted on Thursday evening and proud is a poor word to describe how the little fellows feel about "our" flag.

AUTO HITS BUGGY.

Big is Demolished in Collision at Lower Veech Street.

An automobile and buggy driven by unknown persons collided at the bridge over Possum run near the lower end of Veech street on the West Side, Thursday evening.

Residents did not know of the collision until yesterday morning when the demolished buggy was found along the curb. That someone was hurt is certain as blood could be seen in several places on the street.

Smithfield Lot Transferred.

A lot in Morgantown street, Smithfield, has been transferred from John T. Conn to James H. Conn, according to a deed recorded in Uniontown. The consideration is given as $200.

Attorney-at-Law.

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MANY NEW FLAGS FLUNG TO BREEZE IN THIS SECTION

Patriotic Rally at Perryopolis Followed by Formation of Red Cross Unit.

YARDMEN SHOW COLORS

Pittsburg & Lake Erie Yardmen Raise Flags at Various Buildings at Dickerson Run; Negro Accepted; Other Patriotic Manifestations.

Perryopolis, patriotic to the core since George Washington first surveyed that section, held a stirring rally Thursday night. About 75 automobiles from Perryopolis, Star Junction, and other portions of Perry township participated in a parade which started at Perryopolis at 6.30. It wound up at "The Diamond," where the Martial Band played several numbers and the crowd sang patriotic songs.

After the public meeting the women interested in the Red Cross movement went to the Methodist Episcopal church where a unit of 24 members was formed with the following officers: Mrs. J. B. Snyder, president; Miss Lena Galley, secretary, and Mrs. H. H. Slocum and Mrs. C. W. Weimer, assistant secretaries.

Dr. Ralph Martin of Star Junction addressed the unit on first aid. Dr. Martin will give a series of 10 lectures on this subject each Thursday night for the next 10 weeks.

FIVE FLAGS DISPLAYED AT B. & O. STATION

Five 5x8 American flags adorn the Baltimore & Ohio railroad station today, having been purchased by contributions taken up among the employes of the station and the division offices. The movement was started by R. E. Shaw, ticket agent, and the flags were raised for the first time Friday morning.

The employes at the station had planned to have a flag-raising and quite a sum of money was contributed towards buying a large flag and staff. When an effort was made to secure the flag none large enough to suit the railroad patriots could be found and they decided to waive the raising of one flag, and put up several.

The railroaders through here are very patriotic and flags have been raised over both the freight station and round house. Freight trains pulling out usually have a flag displayed at one end or the other. The rear door of a caboose on a coke train this morning had a large flag draped over it.

Other new flags are those on the Connellsville Drug Store, the Pittsburg & Lake Erie station, where a flag has been raised over the telegraph tower, the Smith House and the postoffice sub-station at Henry Rhodes' store on the West Side, where one was unfurled this morning.

The school district recently received about half a dozen new 6x4 flags, which will be distributed to the various buildings as they are needed. One has already been sent to the South Side school, where four youngsters recently complained to the principal about the lack of a flag.

One man said this morning that a little uniformity in the display of flags would be a good thing. As it is, he maintains, people hang out "Old Glory" whenever the spirit moves them, and every day there are flags out in different places. This man suggests that one day, at least, be set apart, upon which everyone will display a banner.

The spirit of war time was evident last night when Dick Cole's fife-and-drum corps paraded the streets, playing martial airs. The musicians merely went to the South Connellsville home of one member of the corps to practice, presumably to prepare themselves for the future, when their services may be needed. Civil War veterans said this morning that the music reminded them of the days of '61, when they marched away to war to the strains of "The Girl I Left Behind Me," rendered by fife and drum. "The sound of a fife always means war to me," one veteran said.

DICKERSON RUN RAILROAD MEN RAISE FLAGS IN YARDS.

Flags were raised Wednesday by Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad employes at Dickerson Run, on the car inspector's building in the east yard, on the crossing watchman's building at the entrance to the south end of the Dawson bridge, on the trainmen's building, the car shops and the yard office.

Reports say that Dickerson Run people are quite indignant about the actions of a few German sympathizers who have not been obeying Attorney General Gregory's injunction to "obey the law and keep your mouth shut."

FIRST FAYETTE COUNTY NEGRO JOINS THE COLORS.

The first Fayette county negro to enlist since the bars were let down on the colored race is James H. Johnson, 35 years old, of Uniontown, who was given the examination Thursday by Corporal E. E. Fellows at the Uniontown recruiting station, and sent on to Pittsburg last evening.

JUDGE RUPPEL HEADS SOMERSET SAFETY BOARD.

Judge William H. Ruppel has been chosen president of the Somerset county defense committee. Other members have been named in practically every town of the county, among them the following: Meyersdale district, W. S. Livengood, M. Foley, Samuel B. Philson, J. F. Naugle and E. C. Kyle; Confluence, V. M. Black; Rockwood, Dr. C. J. Hemminger, J. C. F. Miller; Somerset, Ross R. Scott, Fred W. Biesecker, Ernest O. Kooser, George R. Scull, William H. Sanner, Charles J. Harrison, Sr., Charles W. Walker, Charles F. Uhl, J. A. Berkey and J. G. Ogle.

COMPILE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY DEFENSE COMMITTEE

Connellsville and Uniontown members of the Pennsylvania defense committee, at a meeting in Uniontown Thursday, completed a list of names of men and women for membership in the Fayette county branch of the general committee. The list of names has been forwarded to Governor Brumbaugh for confirmation.

LOCAL MAN ENLISTS IN MARINE SERVICE

Among those accepted Thursday at Pittsburg for the army and navy were William Schommer of Connellsville, in the marine service; Dewey Woisnet, of Perryopolis, Raymond K. Hutchinson, of Scottdale, and Steve Zavroy and Steve Joobuck of Brownsville, all for the army.

ORDER RELEASING MARRIED MEN EXPECTED SOON

Married men in the hospital corps of the Tenth Regiment and Company D, located here, are awaiting orders discharging them from the service. All men who have wives and families dependent on them are to be given their relase and the vacancies filled by single men.

The exact number of married men in Company D is not known but there are several who will be affected. In the hospital corps, three married men, Homer Moser, Lyell Buttermore and Carl Snair, are all sergeants.

UNION SUPPLY EMPLOYES RAISE FLAG AT COALBROOK

Employes of the Union Supply company store at Coalbrook Thursday afternoon raised a flag on a pole, 50 feet high, at that place. The pole was brought in from the mountains by F. A. Buttermore and was placed on the hill overlooking the houses at the time of Company D's departure for the Mexican border early last summer. A large crowd was in attendance, and among those taking part were Casper Scheussler, John Brindlinger, Charles Keller, William Lewellan, William Grindle, D. J. Stehle, and William Ulery.

DUNBAR MAN AND VANDERBILT NEGRO AMONG ARMY RECRUITS

Five recruits were secured by Corporal H. E. Fellows at the Uniontown station Friday. Among them were Charles F. Shaw, aged 34, of Dunbar, and Jasper Washington, aged 23, of Vanderbilt. Shaw was assigned to the signal corps. Washington, a negro, was assigned to the colored infantry.

SOMERSET YOUTH WALKS 17 MILES TO JOIN MARINES

James Hall, a young mountaineer from Laurel Ridge, presented himself to Major Fay, recruiting officer for the marines, at Pittsburg Friday, and told him he had walked 17 miles from Zufall, Somerset county, to Ligonier, taking a train for Pittsburg there. "I want to do something for my country," he told the officers at the recruiting station.

B. & O. MEN RAISE ANOTHER LARGE FLAG

Another flag was raised by Baltimore & Ohio employes Friday when the yard men purchased a flag pole and flag which was flung to the breeze from the yard office near the Yough bridge.

The men ornamented the pole by putting a brass ball on the top of it. The flag flies about as high as the bridge and catches the eye of passengers on all Baltimore & Ohio trains and West Penn street cars.

TIN PLATE MILL AT SCOTTDALE UNDER GUARD.

Since Tuesday the American Sheet & Tin Plate mill at Scottdale has been under close guard. Children who have been in the habit of carrying their fathers' dinners to the mill are met at the gate of the works and relieved of their pails, the guard delivering them to the persons for whom they are intended.

Employes or other persons who are not familiar to the guards are stopped and questioned before they are admitted to the works. This is the first works in the vicinity of Scottdale or Mount Pleasant which has been guarded.

ALL NATIONALITIES AT FLAG RAISING.

On Wednesday evening, April 11, almost half the population of the village assembled in front of the Union Supply company's store at Monarch to see the flag raising.

Prof. B. J. Colbert, principal of the Monarch schools, and his corps of seven teachers and the pupils, numbering about 250, marched as the local Hungarian band played "The Star Spangled Banner." As they reached the flag pole they sang "America."

The flag, a fine silk one loaned for the occasion by the Leisenring Első Magy. Jozsef Főh. Betegsegélyző Egylet Society, was unfurled by six girls of the following nationalities: German, Russian, Austrian, Hungarian, Poland and American.

The parents of these American born foreigners have all become naturalized Americans. Prof. Colbert gave a very appropriate address on "Patriotism," closing with Drake's "Ode to the American Flag."

Among the many visitors were Prof. William E. Tietbohl, principal of the Dunbar township high school, Roy Honsberger, Mrs. Kelly and Clarence Strawn.

The flag pole, 60 feet high, was furnished by Superintendent Rex of the H. C. Frick Coke company.

SOLDIER HURT GETTING READY FOR WAR SERVICE.

Albert Nassar, a member of Company E, Tenth Regiment, of Mount Pleasant, feeling that the company might be called out at any time, thought he ought to have a box to take along so he decided to make one.

A new hatchet he had purchased broke as he was splitting a piece of wood and cut the tendons of his thumb. An ugly wound resulted and he went to the Memorial hospital for treatment.

RUN ON POSTAL SAVINGS BANK STOPS

Since the declaration of war there has been somewhat of a run on the postal savings department of the Mount Pleasant postoffice, by the foreign residents of Mount Pleasant and vicinity. This is thought to have been caused by the fact that soon after war broke out in the old country, postal saving accounts of the residents were used for war purposes. However, a number of persons called at the postoffice this morning and redeposited their savings.

Clark Yothers, postmaster at Mount Pleasant, this morning received a communication from the Postoffice Department to the effect that in event of war under no circumstances would the postal savings accounts or the properties of aliens be disturbed.

PERRYOPOLIS WON'T STAND FLAG DESECRATION.

Quick to resent any desecration of the American flag or any unpatriotic demonstration by an alien, residents of Perry township yesterday brought about the arrest of Peter Wosdar, a Horwat, employed by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad as a watchman near Fuller Station. Wosdar was accused of desecrating the American flag and attempting to organize the foreign residents of Whitsett against the United States.

Squire Kintzer of Whitsett, issued a warrant for Wosdar's arrest and he was apprehended and taken to Uniontown by Constable E. E. Burnworth. He is now lodged in jail, a sadder and wiser man.

Two charges were preferred against Wosdar at the county jail, the first that of high misdemeanor, preferred by M. E. Carson, deputy constable, and the second that of contemptuous action and obstructing justice, by Justice John H. Kintzer himself.

Wosdar, who is 58 years old, resides at Lynntown, a coke plant near Whitsett.

WAR TALK GETS FINE FOR DAVIDSON MAN.

John Bytosh, an Austrian, of Davidson, was fined $3.50 in police court this morning for "arguing about the war" with a Russian. The Russian wisely refused to argue with him, according to Patrolman D. H. Turner, who made the arrest.

Bytosh, it was charged, had been talking very loudly about events in Europe, and taunting the Russian with his "war talk." Bytosh told Mayor R. Marietta that it was the Russian who was doing the talking and that he had been expostulating with him and asking him to change the subject. Bytosh will pay his fine.

"Arguing about the war" is expressly prohibited by the mayor's proclamation, issued several weeks ago, in which he asks that people shall not gather on the street corners or in other places and discuss the conflict.

B. & O. SHOP EMPLOYES HOLD FLAG-RAISING

An enthusiastic flag raising, attended by more than 150 patriotic shop men and rip track workers of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, was held at roundhouse Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock. A 5x8 foot American flag was raised on a 75 foot staff over the master mechanic's office. "Old Glory" was unfurled by Miss Margaret King, daughter of A. R. King of South Arch street.

An address was delivered by T. J. Brennan and "America" was sung by P. J. Murphy. The men gave a rousing cheer as the folds of the flag loosed to the breeze in the last rays of the setting sun.

The railroad men wanted a flag to fly over their place of work and by subscriptions secured enough money to purchase the one raised yesterday. Patriotic enthusiasm runs high among the railroad men and flags are seen everywhere throughout the yards, some on engines and cabooses.

KOZEL BROTHERS, GUNNERS ON U. S. BATTLESHIPS

J. J. Kozel, a third class gunner on the battleship Oklahoma, was here a short time Saturday on his way back to the Norfolk Navy yard, where he reports at his ship Monday. Kozel has been visiting his parents at York Run on a five-day furlough. The regular furlough is for a period of 10 days but during the present troublesome times the time has been cut. The sailors are allowed two days' traveling time but Kozel received three as he lived so far inland.

Kozel has been in the navy for a period of three and one-half years and only has five and one-half months to serve befor his enlistment is out. He is not yet certain whether he will realist or not.

It is the duty of Kozel, as a third-class gunner's mate, to handle torpedoes. He is in the torpedo room, 14 feet below water, with seven other men. He puts the war heads on the torpedoes and gets them in shape for firing. After serving a year as third class gunner he will be promoted to second-class. The pay is larger but the duties are practically the same. After serving out the term as second class he will become a gunner of the first-class, and the next promotion is chief gunner, who wears civilian clothes.

His brother, A. G. Kozel, is a first class gunner on the United States ship, Arkansas.

Unamis Man Dies.

George Weber, a lumber dealer at Unamis, died Friday morning at the Allegheny hospital, Cumberland. Mr. Weber was found unconscious in a bed at the Arlington hotel, Cumberland, yesterday morning and died soon after being admitted to the hospital.

Barnatt Reward $50.

The reward for the recovery of the body of Andy Barnatt, Pittsburg & Lake Erie watchman, believed to have been thrown into the Youghiogheny river, was increased today from $25 to $50.

FERTILIZERS FOR GARDENS.

From National Emergency Food Garden Commission, Washington, D. C.

Fertilizer is the gardener's great problem this year. The prices of it are very high. It is out of the question even to think of potash, which is one of the necessary fertilizer elements, for the war has put its price beyond reason—in fact, there it little potash to be had at any price.

But there is one commodity which exists in considerable quantities in every city, and that is manure, the best of all fertilizers. The owners of coal, ice and lumber companies, and of delivery concerns, who employ many horses and thus have much manure to dispose of, usually sell it at a good price.

The human food need is so great this year, however, that quantities of this manure should go to those cultivating back yard and vacant lot gardens. The man who can provide free manure to gardeners who cannot afford to buy it, will be a real public benefactor.

Another necessary item for the new gardener is lime. Particularly in vacant lots in which the ground has not been stirred in years, the soil is apt to be acid. If it is sour and acid soil which the novice gardener undertakes to cultivate, he will be disappointed with results.

Fortunately the liming of garden soil is not an expensive proposition. A pound of lime only costs a penny or so in bulk quantities, and a pound of it will sweeten 30 square feet of ground.

Plants are like animals in that you must feed them if they are to thrive. There is a certain amount of plant food in soil, but additional plant fertilizer—put into the ground will produce greater crops.

In this connection there is an economical and an extravagant way of using fertilizer, particularly manure. If you scatter manure broadcast over your garden before spading it, that is wasteful. The better way is to spade the manure only into the plant rows. The fertilizer between the rows is largely wasted.

Every gardener should know of the store of fertilizer which he can get by the expenditure of a little effort. This fertilizer is called humus, and it consists of rotting vegetable matter in the soil.

Thus in spading up a garden all of the sod, dried grass and stalks of plants should be spaded in. This process not only restores to the soil the actual plant food which is in this vegetable matter, but it makes the soil more friable and easier for the plant roots to penetrate it, and it does more—it actually acts as a producer of nitrogen from the air. Nitrogen is one of the most valuable and most expensive of fertilizer elements.

In the rotting humus billions of microscopic bacteria—germs—come to live. Each tiny organism breathes of the air that filters down through the soil and fixes an infinitesimal amount of the air's nitrogen in its body in such form that the plant root can feed upon it.

REV. PROSSER IS HELD UNDER BAIL

Pastor Accused of High Misdemeanor Pleads Not Guilty at Hearing In Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, April 13.—Rev. William A. Prosser, pastor of the United Peoples church, was yesterday held for court in $5,000 bail after pleading not guilty to a charge of high misdemeanor before Alderman Howard James of East street. The charge grew out of alleged statements made in an address by Mr. Prosser Sunday which, it is said, are calculated to dissuade men from enlisting. Mr. Prosser had no witnesses and offered no testimony, and merely sought to discredit the charge, by cross-examination of County Detective Harry L. Ross in such manner as to show that Mr. Prosser made no reference to enlisting.

At the opening of the hearing Mr. Prosser entered his plea. A. M. Jackson, a brother of District Attorney R. H. Jackson, testified that he had made the charge on information received from Detective Ross. Ross then took the stand and there was submitted, as evidence, a copy of his report to the district attorney on the Sunday meeting and Mr. Prosser's alleged statements.

The report quoted Mr. Prosser as saying: "There is a commandment, 'Thou Shalt Not Kill.' Stand by it; do not kill, particularly do not kill your humble brother—he has a wife—he has children and a home the same as you. If we are pressed by conscription, pray God for help; let our prayer be that, if we are drafted, we shall solemnly refuse to go."

Much of Mr. Pratt's cross-examination of the witness was intended to bring out the fact that Ross did not take stenographic notes of the address, and that Ross was not on duty when he heard the address.

Mr. Pratt and the District Attorney had frequent verbal clashes, Mr. Pratt objected to the admission of Mr Prosser's book on "Militarism" as evidence, but the alderman overruled him. After the hearing Mr. Prosser reiterated his statement that, if a foreign foe menaced this nation, he would be the first to enlist.

The penalty, on conviction for high misdemeanor, is either 10 years' imprisonment of $5,000 fine, or both

NEW GAME CODE

Open Season For Birds From November 1 to December 15.

HARRISBURG April 12.—The new game code, introduced by Representative Miles A. Milliron, and known as House Bill 187, was reported to the House yesterday from the committee on game as amended. The changes in the measure are the result of a joint session of the House and Senate committees, and the bill in its present form is expected to pass without material change.

The southeastern section of the state won a decided victory in the matter of the game seasons, and as a result the code now provides an open season for all small game, excepting woodcock, opening November 1 and closing December 15. The organized sportsmen of the state had recommended and fought for a season opening October 15, but the farmers and rabbit hunters of the southern counties were strong enough in the committee to postpone the season two weeks.

The sportsmen of Northwestern Pennsylvania who put up a hard fight to retain their woodcock shooting, were successful in keeping the open date of the season for that game bird at October 15, but the squirrels, rabbits, quail and grouse will come into season on November 1 and go out together on December 15.

200 in Perry Red Cross.

The Perry township Red Cross Auxiliary now has 200 members enrolled for a year. Twelve of the male members have ordered first aid suits, a first aid physician is giving weekly lectures and three separate units of 24 members each have been formed, two in Star Junction and one in Perryopolis.

WANT PEOPLE HERE TO JOIN MOVEMENT FOR BETTER ROADS

Committee Plans to Secure Aid in Getting New Highway to Farmington.

OFFICERS ARE NOMINATED

C. H. Slpe, Mill Run, Named for President; A. M. Wildey, Ohiopyle, Vice President, T. D. Gardner, Bear Run, Secretary; Present Road Bad.

A real highway is absolutely necessary to people of Bear Run, Mill Run, Normalville, Ohiopyle, and Farmington, since the present road is almost impassable, and a finished road would give many advantages to this city, those backing the movement feel.

A committee of nine met Thursday evening in the Syria Country club at Bear Run to discuss the situation. In addition to the committee, 10 or 12 other people interested were present. Officers for the league were nominated as follows: C. H. Slpe of Mill Run, president, A. M. Wildey, Ohiopyle, vice president; T. D. Gardner, Bear Run, secretary, and W. S. Colborn, Mill Run treasurer. A subcommittee to interest members of the legislature in the project, and to talk to the state highway commissioner, was also appointed. It consists of S. M. Rush, Ohiopyle, W. S. Colborn, Mill Run, and T. D. Gardner, Bear Run.

The league is pushing its work rapidly. There are 300 members in the organization now, and more are being enrolled. There are at present three units of the league: Mill Run, Bear Run and Ohiopyle. From each of these divisions, three men have been selected, these nine making up the executive committee. A unit is now in process of formation at Normalville. At Connellsville, the formation of a division will be undertaken Monday, it is likely, following a conference of the visiting delegation with members of the Automobile club of this city. Another unit will likely be organized in and around Farmington. The bad road about which the league is protesting has, up to the present, prevented visits to that section by leaders in the good-roads project.

The league wants a completed road from Connellsville to Farmington. About three years ago the state took over this road, formerly a county and township highway.

"It was rough enough then," one member of the league said this morning, "but after the state took it over, it gradually deteriorated until it is now impossible to travel over it. At our meeting last week in Ohiopyle, the Mill Run people couldn't get there at all, and the Bear Run delegation had to walk. All that is being done to improve it is to throw more mud into it. We simply must have a passable roadway."

Back From Europe.

After an absence of nearly six years, the Princess of Thurn and Taxis who has been residing in London since the outbreak of the war, arrived in Uniontown Friday and is at the residence of her mother, Mrs. John A. Nicholls there. Her sons preceded her six weeks ago. The princess had an uneventful trip across the Atlantic on the St Louis, which left March 31.

Garbage Truck in Service.

The new garbage truck, just put into commission by M. Derencin, contractor for the collection of refuse, is attracting some attention among residents of the city. Mr. Derencin is pleased with the work it is doing, and says it can make the long trip to incinerating plant in 13 minutes.

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WANT 1,000 NEW CHURCH WORKERS

Christian Church Representatives Attend "Men and Millions" Campaign Meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Buckner, Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Cunningham, Mrs. Ellis Jones, Mrs. J. M. Grey, and Mrs. A. D. Soisson returned Thursday evening from Pittsburg, where they had been in attendance at the "Men and Millions" movement campaign of the Christian Church. This gathering was held in the William Penn hotel and concluded with a luncheon at which 700 representatives of the churches in Western Pennsylvania were present, the largest single gathering of this body since the centennial anniversary held in Pittsburg in 1909.

The purpose of the "Men and Millions" movement is to enlist 1,000 young people as ministers or missionary workers; to raise a fund of $6,300,000 for missions, benevolences and education, and to make provision for an adequate financial program in the local churches. The work is being conducted by 20 specialists representing the several organized activities of the church. Over $4,000,000 of the endowment fund has already been raised and it is expected that the remainder will be made available before July 1, 1918, the date upon which the campaign will be concluded.

CLASS SOCIAL

Mount Olive Church Scene of Enjoyable Entertainment.

The Loyal Workers' Bible class of the Mount Olive United Brethren Sunday school celebrated its first aniversary by giving an entertainment to the members of the Sunday school, and their parents, Tuesday evening. Entertainment consisted of music by the choir, solos by Miss Buttermore, Mr. Barnes and Mr Charlesworth, and several recitations by Miss Erbeck of Connellsville. The class history was read by the president, Mrs H. W. Detwiler.

The class was organized April 16, 1916, with 16 charter members. During the year it lost two members, one by marriage, and one by death. It has paid out $57 for different purposes during the year. At the present time it has 25 members, a gain of over 56 per cent.

ANOTHER CHANGE

Employes Taken Into Connellsville Publishing Company.

The Connellsville Publishing company, which issues The News, has been reorganized again, following the retirement of George T. Wolfersberger as secretary-treasurer and business manager.

Joseph J. Thompson is now president-treasurer, editor and manager William F. Brooks is vice president, and Walter S. Stummel is secretary. Mr. Thompson was formerly only president and editor. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Stummel, who have been reporters for the paper for a decade more, have been rewarded for their long and faithful service by being taken into the firm.

Mr. Wolfersberger left town yesterday.

BREAKS WINDOWS

Baytosh Said to Have Offered Boys 10 Cents For Each One Smashed.

Joseph Baytosh, who lives along the Sligo road, was given a hearing before an alderman Thursday on charges of malicious mischief preferred by Superintendent Joseph McConnell of Sligo. Baytosh was arrested by Constable S. A. Fasson Thursday after he had thrown stones through the windows of several dwelling houses owned by the mill company. It was brought out at the hearing that Baytosh had offered small boys 10 cents apiece for every stone they threw through the windows.

Baytosh agreed to pay the costs of the case and to refrain from the stone throwing practice in the future. He gave no explanation of the reason for his actions.

PORT-SEMANS

Uniontown Man Takes Dawson Girl as His Bride.

Mrs. Marie Port, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Short of Dawson, and Edgar T. Semans, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Semans of Uniontown, were quietly married Thursday afternoon at the parsonage of the First Presbyterian Church in Greensburg, Rev. Charles Schall, the pastor, officiating.

The bride at one time resided in Connellsville and is well known here. Mr. Semans is a member of one of the best known families of Uniontown. Mr. and Mrs Semans returned to Dawson last night and are at the home of the bride's parents. They will reside in Uniontown, where Mr. Semans is employed by his father.

JEWISH RELIEF

Another Contribution Received From the Connellsville Community.

Notices from the American Jewish Relief committee at New York show that the treasurer, Herbert H. Lehman, has received $125 from the Connellsville Jewish community, from whom a previous contribution of $325 has already been received at the headquarters. "The chairman of the Connellsville relief committee, Mrs. S. M. Levy," the announcement states, "is an enthusiastic worker."

One million dollars, in all, has been sent abroad by the American committee to relieve the suffering of 3,000,000 starving Jews in the European war zones.

Get Marriage Licenses.

John F. Reilly of Connellsville, and Marie M. Nebraski of Dunbar township; Alvie A. Eicher and Cordia M. Henry, Giovanno Smarig and Giovanni Pizzimento, all of Connellsville, were granted licenses to wed in Uniontown yesterday.

RELEASE OF MEN WITH DEPENDENTS HITS CO. D HARD

At Least a Third of Present Enlistment Will Have to be Dropped.

MEANS MUCH RECRUITING

Present Strength of Local Command is 91 and 12 Are on Furlough and May be Assigned to Other Companies; 30 Members Have Dependents.

The order to muster out from the the national guard all married men and men with dependent mothers and sisters will drop from Company D, Tenth Regiment, practically one-third of its men.

There are 91 on the rolls. Of these about 20 are married, and probably 10 more will be found to be supporting dependents. Before these are released, however, their cases will be thoroughly investigated. Twelve members of the company are on furlough, and whether they will be returned to Company D or to some other company is uncertain.

The married men's release will mean extra recruiting if the company is called out. Officers had hoped to have as little of this enlisting new men, with its accompanying confusion, as possible. With one-third of the men dropped, however, it will become necessary to enroll a large number of "rookies." When Company D was ordered out for Mexican border service last summer, it was only about one-third full strength and two-thirds were recruited.

The strict physical examination is another source of worry to officers of the company, who fear that several enlisted men will be unable to "get by the doctor" again.

Quite a few young men have applied recently for admission to the ranks, but all have been turned down because of the belief that the company was practically at full-strength, and places could be found for but a few more.

Peace strength of a national guard company is 100; war strength 150. Equipment is stored at the state armory here for just 100 men.

After tomorrow, Charles A. McCormick, assistant to Funeral Director C. C. Mitchell, will no longer be a member of the national guard, his enlistment in the Tenth Regiment hospital corps expiring on that date. He will still be in the Reserves, however, having enlisted for three more years when the regiment went down to the Mexican border last year. He stated this morning that he did not expect to enlist except for actual service. In case of hostilities he will likely go to the front. Mr. McCormick has been connected with the guard for nine years having been a member of the Reserves prior to enlisting in the Hospital corps.

The enlistment of Percy Sheetz, Carl Snair and Edgar Horner expired in March but during their border duty all enlisted for three years and are now in the Reserves. They will probably re-enlist if their country needs them, they being thoroughly familiar with the duties of sanitary troops.

COMMUNITY MEETING

Fifth Perry Township School Institute At Layton Next Saturday.

The fifth community meeting of Perry township schools and teachers will be held at the Layton Methodist Episcopal church Saturday evening, April 21. It will begin at 7.30 o'clock with the program as follows:

Opening song, "America;" prayer; paper, Miss Ida Forsythe; talk on "The Rockies," Albert Luce; violin solo, John Thorpe; recitation, Lucy Baldwin; music, girls' chorus; paper, Clara Hixenbaugh; vocal solo, Ada Buttermore; talk, Prof. H. V. Snyder; recitation, Marion Faupel; vocal duet, Mary Belle Miller and Mary Bess Raley; quotation class; music, instrumental; recitation, Margaret Culler; song, chorus of school children; periodical, Florence Hamilton; recitation, Mary Carson; vocal solo, Edward Hamilton; debate, E. S. Ramsler, Milton Carson, Hermon Duff, William Baker; chorus, by school children.

POPULARITY CONTEST

Moose Arrange One as Part of Their Carnival.

Members of Connellsville Lodge No. 16, L. O. O. Moose, have practically completed their plans for the carnival which they are to hold in the McCrory Hall from April 30 to May 5.

The "popular lady" contest entries will be closed shortly. Among those who have entered so far are Misses Mabel Murray, Irene Moore, Marie Wardzella, Emma Staley, Olive Francis, Lillie Lesner, Mary McCormick Carrie B. Hawk, E. L. Johnson, Mary Flanigan and Margaret Carilla. Several others have consented to have their names entered by the first of the coming week. The two contestants receiving the largest number of votes will receive 10-day trips to Atlantic City; third, a diamond ring; fourth a wrist watch; and fifth, a gold bracelet.

To Collect School Taxes.

At a special meeting of the South Connellsville school board Thursday evening, it was decided to take steps for collecting all back taxes at once. The directors instructed the collector to get busy.

Circus on May 9.

"Sparks' World Famous Shows" will be in Connellsville on May 9. This is the first circus to book this city this year.

STEEL CAPACITY OF THE U. S. EQUAL TO ALL BELLIGERENTS

Mills Have Orders for Ten Months Ahead But Not Overcrowded.

CAN FURNISH GOVERNMENT

With all the Steel That May be Required; Steel Makers Will Have to Make Sacrifices in Profits and in Loss and Derangement of Business.

Steel is the chief element of war munitions. Let us get away from the thought suggested by much of the newspaper talk in the past couple years that "munitions" are shells or projectiles says the American Metal Market. Webster defines the word as "whatever materials are used in war for defense or for annoying an enemy" and all that this implies. If and as railroads are improved for the prosecution of war the steel used is a war munition. So is the tin plate used to can food products for the navy or for an army in training or in field. If merchant ships for carrying food to our troops or our allies are required, the steel used is a munition.

The United States is fortunate in having today an actual production of steel equal to the steel productive capacity of all the present belligerents at the time the war started. We are making steel at the rate of 43,000,000 or 44,000,000 tons of ignots a year, with say a million tons or more of steel castings, making about 45,000,000 tons altogether, in the crude form. The ingot tonnage stands for about 31,000,000 gross tons annually of finished steel products, more than 2,500,000 tons per month.

The capacities of the other belligerents at the beginning of the war were approximately as follows, in annual ingot tonnage:

Germany	20,000,000
Austria	2,000,000
Central Powers	22,000,000
Great Britain	9,000,000
France	4,500,000
Russia	4,000,000
Belgium	2,000,000
Canada	1,000,000
Italy	500,000
Entente Allies	21,000,000

This makes a total of 43,000,000 tons, against our present 45,000,000 tons. Our figures are only approximate but we feel certain the total is reasonably close. There have been additions to capacity since the war started, but doubtless there is some capacity inoperative, in occupied territory and perhaps in Russia. We do not include the capacity of Japan, which is small, and unfortunately it is not precisely known how closely Japan stands to the entente allies.

The United States becomes merely one belligerent, on one side, and thus the steel capacity in proportion to all possible requirements is enormous.

This entire steel making capacity is at the command of the government. The mills are filled with obligations to various customers, for a total equal to nearly ten months of production. The filling of such obligations need not be greatly delayed in order to furnish for government account all the steel that can be used. We shall not err to our injury if we enter this war with the feeling that it is the biggest thing we can conceive. Sacrifices must be made on all hands. The sacrifice of the steel producers is in profits, and it serves no useful purpose at the moment to attempt to measure the amount of that sacrifice. The sacrifice of steel consumers is in the derangement of their business, and loss of profit, due to the deferring of deliveries. In the aggregate, this will be very considerable, even though the percentage of steel diverted from the present stream into ordinary consumption is relatively small.

The railroads will need to be refurnished at once. Under government supervision the necessary cars and locomotives can be produced in relatively short order, to the end that the production of our industries may be increased somewhat and the prompt movement of all government supplies be assured.

It is a wonderful thing that such great industrial resources can be mobilized and made much more efficient for production by the introduction of the authority of the government. It is wholly a question of organization, as the authority is now available.

TRIAL POSTPONED

Case of J. V. Thompson to Come Up in November.

PITTSBURG, Apr. 14.—Josiah V. Thompson, of Uniontown, under indictment in connection with the First National Bank of Uniontown, of which he was president, was granted a second postponement until the November term of the United States district court.

Judge Charles P. Orr and Judge H. S. Thompson, sitting jointly, granted the request. Judge Orr, speaking for the court, announced:

"Purely in the interest of Mr. Thompson's creditors, and to leave him free to continue the work he is doing in clearing up his estate, this postponement is granted."

SLIGO IN OPERATION.

Work Resumed at Guide Mill; 50 to 70 Men Employed.

Work was resumed today at Sligo. One mill, the guide mill, was put into operation, just before noon, with between 50 and 70 men employed. Sligo has been shut down for about two and a half years.

Superintendent Joseph McConnell stated today that it was too early to say when the rest of the plant would start up. The other mills will be put into operation, however, just as soon as they could be shaped up for work he said.

LUMBER TRADE IS HANDICAPPED

A Serious Condition is Produced By the Car Shortage; Interferes With Ship Building Plans.

The lumber producing centers of the South and the Northwest are confronted with difficulties that will seriously interfere with the government's plan of building wooden merchant ships.

The difficulty is the lack of cars to convey the production of lumber to the markets and it is an example of the law of retribution, the evil consequences of which are suffered by the public. For the purveyors of lumber have been among the chief offenders against the car service rules heretofore—not the wholesale dealers, of course, but brokers whose practice it has been to order forward consignments for which they have neither purchasers nor storage facilities and keep them shuttling over the country under the diversion and reconsignment privilege accorded by the railroads until disposed of. Meantime the car shortage is proving most depressing to the lumber industry generally.

A report coming from the Southern Pine Association shows orders 38,000 carloads behind shipments, with conditions becoming more discouraging, while the hardwood orders in the South are upward of 10,000 loads behind, with a corresponding shortage of transportation facilities in the Spokane region. Manufacturers are curtailing production for lack of space in which to store the finished product. Figures show demand for lumber 21 per cent in excess of production while, in consequence of car shortage, actual shipments to consumers are 29 per cent less than the orders received.

Large lumber interests of the Pittsburg district are not only willing, but desirous to co-operate in the fullest measure with the railroads in devising means for relieving a situation which has become intolerable, and thereby benefit the public as well as themselves, and steps to that end are being taken.

UNFILLED ORDERS KEEP GAINING

U. S. Steel Corporation's Bookings Largest in Its History, and 134,947 Tons More Than Feb.

With a total of 11,711,644 tons of unfilled orders on March 31, the United States Steel Corporation's bookings exceeded any previous month in its history and showed a gain of 134,947 increase tons over February. Compared with March 31, 1916 the increase was 2,380,643 tons. January's total decreased 72,232 tons from that of December.

The output of steel ingots in March is estimated to have been approximately 1,300,000 tons. The heaviest production since November, 1916. Upon this estimate, the output of rolled products is indicated to have been 1,200,000 tons. Shipments of finished products are estimated 1,250,000 tons, and as orders taken exceeded shipments by 134,947 tons, the bookings last month are indicated to have been 1,385,947 tons.

The more satisfactory service by the railroads last month permitted the assembling of raw material, especially of coke, to a greater extent than at any time in the last three months, and further improvement is anticipated this month, indicating a further increase in output and a more satisfactory distribution of rolled products on contracts.

ADA PLANT SOLD

Harry S. Shiebler, Greensburg, Makes Purchase; Consideration $45,000.

The plant of the Ada Coal & Coke company above Cheat Haven was sold Tuesday by J. D. Springer, a Uniontown real estate agent, and Josiah M. Rhodes, of Springhill township, to Harry S. Scheibler of Greensburg, for $45,000. The plant consists of 40 ovens and a slope mine, together with 72.34 acres of coal in three tracts. In addition to paying $45,000 for the property Mr. Scheibler assumed a mortgage for $10,000 on the coal tracts.

The plant has been operated since January, 1916, by Messrs. Springer and Rhodes, under the name of the Ada Coal & Coke company. They leased the plant at that time and purchased it last August for $23,050. Mr. Rhodes has given his attention to the operation of the plant during the last 15 months and has made it one of the most profitable small operations in the region.

NEW COMPANY IN CHARGE

Holdings and Business of Davis Colliery Company Passes to Successor.

To facilitate the development of the interests heretofore operated by the Davis Colliery company, the West Virginia Coal & Coke Company has been formed, and all the holdings, including the operating mines, stores, selling agencies, etc., have been taken over by that company.

Contracts for new tipples, plants, and miners' houses, assuring the material increasing of the output during this spring and summer, have already been arranged. The new company has assumed the contracts of the Davis Colliery company.

The eastern office maintained by the Davis Colliery company, Philadelphia, is discontinued. Whitney & Kemmerer with offices located at New York City, Philadelphia, have been designated eastern agents for the new company.

War to Stiffen Coal Market.

West Virginia coal men are of the opinion that with the United States entering into war with Germany the effect will be to tighten the coal market. As Pocohontas and the smokeless coals will be used in large quantities in the navy it is expected that the market for other West Virginia coals will be extended.

Coal Freight Rates

TO EASTERN POINTS — Rate per Gross Ton of 2,240 lbs. Destination	ORIGINATING DISTRICT. Pitts'bg	Connellsville W'moreland Fairmont	C'burg	Latrobe
Baltimore, Md.	$2.00	$1.85	$1.79	$1.60
Chester, Pa., P. R. R.	2.00	1.85	1.70	1.60
Harrisburg, Pa.	1.70	1.55	1.40	1.30
*Johnstown, Pa.	.85	.80*	.60	.95
Lebanon, Pa., P. R. R. and P. & R.	1.90	1.75	1.60	1.50
New York, 37th St.	2.25	2.10	1.95	1.85
New York, Brooklyn	2.35	2.20	2.05	1.95
Philadelphia, Pa.	2.00	1.85	1.70	1.60
Sparrows Point, Md.	2.00	1.85	1.70	1.60
Steelton, Pa.	1.72	1.57	1.42	1.32
South Bethlehem, Pa.	2.10	1.95	1.80	1.70
Syracuse, N. Y.	2.15	2.00	1.85	1.75
To ATLANTIC PORTS via P. R. R				
Greenwich, Pa., Local	1.75	1.60	1.45	1.35
Greenwich, Pa., for Export	1.65	1.50	1.35	1.25
So. Amboy, N. J., F. O. B. Vessel	1.95	1.80	1.65	1.55
Harsmus, N. J., F. O. B. Vessel	2.00	1.85	1.70	1.60
Greenville, N. J., F. O. B. Vessel	2.00	1.85	1.70	1.60
Canton, Baltimore, Md., Local	1.75	1.60	1.45	1.35
Canton, Md., for Export	1.58	1.43	1.28	1.18
To ATLANTIC PORTS, via B. & O.				
St. George, N. Y., Coal Piers	2.25	2.10		
St. George, N. Y., for Export	1.95	1.80		
Philadelphia Coal Piers	1.75	1.60		
Philadelphia, for Export	1.65	1.50		
Curtis Bay, Balto., Piers	1.75	1.60		
Curtis Bay, Balto., for Export	1.63	1.48		

*The rate from the Fairmont District to Johnstown is 75c; Monongahela Railway to state line, 85c; below state line to Fairmont, 95c.

The Connellsville Rate applies to shipments from points on the Southwest Branch of the Pennsylvania railroad south of Ruffsdale; from points on the Pittsburg, Virginia & Charleston and points on the Monongahela River railroad.

The Fairmont Rate on shipments via the Baltimore & Ohio applies to shipments from points east of Sutersville, Pa.; from points on the Smithfield & Masontown Branch and from the Fairmont Region of West Virginia.

TO WESTERN POINTS. Rate per Net Ton of 2,000 lbs. Destination	ORIGINATING DISTRICT. Pittsburg	Fairmont	Connellsville
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The announcement that George A. Burrell, chairman of the Pittsburg Section of the American Chemical Society, formerly connected with the Bureau of Mines, had returned to the latter organization to mobilize the nation's technical forces against poison gases raises an interesting question as to just what services chemists render in war time. This question is best answered by referring to the experience of chemists abroad during the war. In the April number of the Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, Richard B. Pilcher tells of the work done by English chemists in war time. Mr. Pilcher, wrote in part:

"The laboratories of our universities and colleges have become small factories for the preparation of drugs and medicaments, and many institutions have been trusted with the examination of materials in the manufacture of explosives. The measures taken in this emergency secured uniformly in method and the standardization of processes which would otherwise have been difficult to attain. Under the supervision of their professors, students unfit for service with the colors, have been helping the country, and at the same time gaining useful experience. Several hundred chemists have been engaged for assistance in the laboratories and in the works of Government and controlled establishments supplying armaments, munitions and other materials of war. Many of these have found an opportunity of helping the country through the registers maintained by the Institute of Chemistry and other societies for this purpose. In cases where the number of men having technical experience in some branches was limited, the authorities have made arrangements for probationary training, so that their services should be available when required in new factories.

"In consequence of methods of offense initiated by the enemy, such as the employment of poisonous gases, there arose a further demand for men with training in chemistry for service in the field. For the duties involved the authorities deemed it expedient to enlist men with such training rather than entrust them to men without any scientific knowledge, and the unit thus formed is a fighting force. With the assistance of the universities and technical colleges and the various bodies interested in chemistry, an entirely new force was brought into existence. The officers were mainly selected from chemists who already held commissions, while sergeants and corporals with knowledge of chemistry were transferred from other units. That they did their work well is shown by the dispatches of Lord French and Sir Doughs Haig.

"From the experience gained in the campaign it is clearly advisable that the state should have control of such an organization of professional chemists as to ensure at any time their efficient service in the many requirements of the naval, military and air forces. In addition to competent chemical advisers of undoubted standing, the following appear to be essential: Chemists to control the manufacture of munitions, explosives, metals, leather, rubber, oils, gases, food, drugs; chemists for the analysis of all such materials and for research; chemists on active service, to assist in the control of water supplies, in the detection of poison in streams, in the analysis of water and food, in the disposal of sewage, and in other hygienic matters; chemists, both at home and in active service, to assist in devising safeguards against enemy contrivances of a scientific nature, and methods of offense to meet the same, as well as for the instruction of troops in such matters.

"It has been called a 'chemists' war" and an 'engineer's war.' Many regard it largely as a conflict between the men of science of the countries engaged. Our chemists have not been dismayed at that, but it is impossible to foresee to what limits beyond accepted tenets the enemy is prepared to go in the application of science to warfare, and we cannot reproach ourselves with having set an example of frightfulness.

"To sum the matter up, chemists have met the situation with a spirit of true patriotism and have been promptly organized for the service required of them. It is not too much to hope that, as the discoveries of science have been applied to the destruction of humanity, they may be devoted more and more to the furtherance of the arts of peace, to the uplifting of civilization, and the pacification of the world."

HOFFACKER MAP

Of Country's Resources Offered to the Government by It Maker.

B. F. Hoffacker, the wellknown Pittsburg engineer and cartographer, has offered to Secretary of War Newton D. Baker a map embracing all the territory of the United States from Denver to the Atlantic seaboard and showing all the transportation lines east of Denver and their relation to coal and ore properties in the country.

The offer was made in response to a request by Secretary Baker to officials of the U. S. Geological Survey for data. The inquiry is said to be a step toward the mobilization of the country's natural resources. The map offered by Mr. Hoffacker was prepared by him for use in the coal rate hearings, affecting Pittsburg-to-the-lakes territory in 1911.

Car Shortage Caused Unrest.

The proposal of the miners of the central competitive field, composed of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, for an increase in wages is said to have had its origin in the short car supply which has resulted in the miners being employed only about 50 or 60 per cent. of their time.

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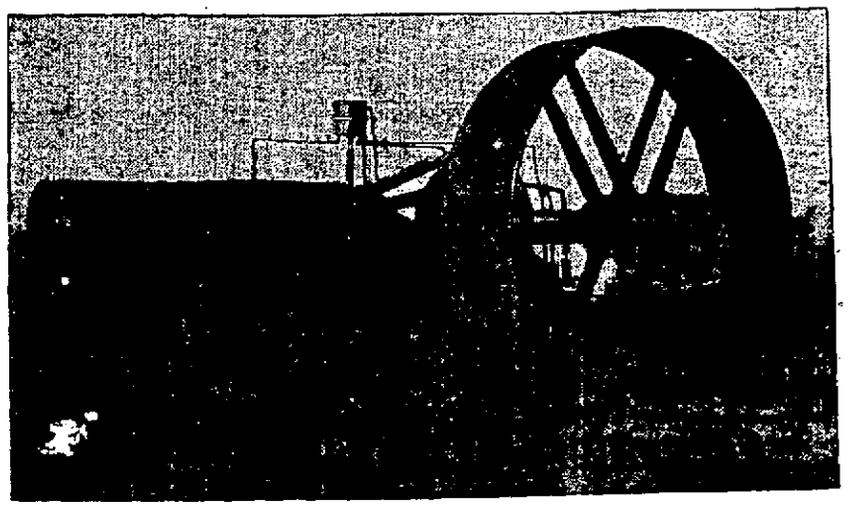

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Club at Paul Works Has Interesting Session.

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Dr. R. H. Jeffrey, head of the safety department for W. J. Rainey, was the principal speaker on Friday evening. Music was furnished by an orchestra and the club quartet, and a lunch was served by H. J. Cupp of Connellsville.

It is planned to hold similar meetings monthly. Superintendent A. A. Mitchell is president of the club.

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